

**CITY OF IQALUIT  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING #01  
January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 6:00 PM  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**PRESENT FROM COUNCIL**

Mayor Madeleine Redfern  
Deputy Mayor David Ell  
Councillor Stephen Mansell  
Councillor Mary Ekho Wilman  
Councillor Jimmy Kilabuk  
Councillor Mat Knickelbein  
Councillor Romeyn Stevenson  
Councillor Simon Nattaq  
Councillor Joanasie Akumalik

**ABSENT**

**PRESENT FROM ADMINISTRATION**

John Hussey, Chief Administrative Officer  
Eva Michael, Communications Officer  
Andy Nichols, Community Wellness Coordinator  
Valerie Collin, Recorder  
Jeanie Eeseemailee, Senior Interpreter/Translator

**PRAYER**

Councillor Nattaq opened the meeting with a prayer at 6:00pm.

**SWEARING IN**

None

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Motion #12-01**

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik  
Seconded by: Councillor Knickelbein

Council approved to adopt the agenda as amended.
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Add Item 9 (n) – Mayor’s Report  
Add (1) In Camera Item - Legal

**Unanimously Carried**

**1. MINUTES**

- a) Finance Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes #01 – February 26, 2011

**Motion #12-02**

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik  
Seconded by: Councillor Wilman

Council approved Finance Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes #01 dated February 26, 2011.

**For – Kilabuk, Akumalik, Nattaq, Knickelbein, Stevenson, Wilman, Eil  
Abstained – Mansell  
Carried**

**Councillor Mansell abstained as he was not a member of Council.**

- b) Continuation of Finance Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes #01 – February 27, 2011

**Motion #12-03**

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein  
Seconded by: Councillor Wilman

Council approved Continuation of Finance Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes #01 dated February 27, 2011.

**For – Kilabuk, Akumalik, Nattaq, Knickelbein, Stevenson, Wilman, Eil  
Abstained – Mansell  
Carried**

**Councillor Mansell abstained as he was not a member of Council.**

**2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Councillor Wilman declared conflict of interest with item 10 (b) (ii).

**3. DELEGATIONS**

None

**4. AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

None

**5. STATEMENTS**

Councillor Akumalik wished Council and staff a happy new year. He noted that the City was very busy in 2011 and made progress and hopes to do the same in 2012. He thanked the public for understanding and supporting Council's decisions and thanked Administration for their hard work.

Councillor Knickelbein welcomed Council to the New Year and noted that a lot was done in 2011.

He noted that there have been several loose dogs throughout the community and would like to discuss this issue with the Municipal Enforcement Department during the next scheduled council meeting.

He congratulated staff and those who organized the Christmas games. It was very successful and suggested that there be games held on Christmas Day and New Year's Day as well in the future as many requested it.

Councillor Wilman thanked Administration and the interpreters for their hard work during the holidays. She believed that the Christmas Lights Contest was also very successful but suggested that it be better advertised. She also thanked those who organized the Christmas games and believed they were very successful.

Councillor Nattaq noted that the Search and Rescue committee was sent off for their first search and rescue in 2012 for an elderly man; he was found and brought home safely.

He noted that he sits on the Qikiqtani Inuit Association's committee but must now step down as a new member will be appointed.

Councillor Mansell thanked Administration and Council for their hard work on budget preparations and believed that 2012 would be another successful year for the city.

He noted that he spoke with Okalik Curley and she indicated that no one had gone to see her property yet and asked if Administration could please look into this matter.

Councillor Stevenson noted that Council discussed issues that were outstanding during the Mayoral Caucus meeting and felt that it would be valuable if directors

were on Council agendas to present short reports and have discussions to keep Council up to date.

Councillor Kilabuk thanked Council and staff for their hard work during 2011.

Mayor Redfern acknowledged the passing of two community members; Wendy Kovic and Pauloosie Kilabuk.

**6. DEFERRED BUSINESS AND TABLED ITEMS**

None

**7. BYLAWS**

**a) First Reading of By-law (s)**

None

**b) Second Reading of By-law (s)**

None

**c) Third and Final Reading of By-law (s)**

None

**8. OLD BUSINESS**

None

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

- a) Request for Decision – Expression of Interest Arctic Winter Games  
Amy Elgersma, Director, Recreation

Amy Elgersma, Director of Recreation, stated that Iqaluit is slated to host the 2020 Arctic Winter Games. The International Arctic Winter Games Committee proposes a rotating schedule of cities of participating regions; they are responsible for selecting host cities for the games.

She noted that the Government of Nunavut is preparing a report and letter of interest for the Arctic Winter Games International Committee indicating preliminary interest and ability to host the 2020 Arctic Winter Games in Iqaluit, Nunavut.

Amy stated that the Recreation Department has reviewed potential indoor and outdoor venues that could be used as venues for the games. This information has been submitted to the Government of Nunavut in order to demonstrate Iqaluit's ability to host the 2020 Arctic Winter Games.

She noted that if the City of Iqaluit is interested in hosting the games, they will later be required to submit a detailed bid to the Arctic Winter Games International Committee in order to be officially considered. Some of the benefits for hosting the Arctic Winter Games include:

1. The Arctic Winter Games provide for "strengthening of cultural awareness and understanding across the north."
2. The Arctic Winter Games "help develop pride in being northern."
3. The Arctic Winter Games, including the selection processes and training leading up to the games, "have life-long positive impacts on people and the communities of the north."
4. The Arctic Winter Games, including the selection processes leading up to the Games, increase "community pride and involvement, enhance self-esteem, enhance healthy lifestyles, and develop role modeling and volunteerism."

Councillor Akumalik expressed his support for the request to host the 2020 Arctic Winter Games and asked if other communities in Nunavut are able to apply to host the Arctic Winter Games.

Amy noted that Iqaluit is the only community that has the infrastructure to support hosting the Arctic Winter Games.

Councillor Akumalik asked if the costs for hosting the games would be a disadvantage to the City.

Amy noted that she saw many advantages for hosting the games and that the City did not suffer any hardship for hosting the games in 2002. There will be support provided by other organizations as well and expressing interest to host the games does not have a disadvantage.

Councillor Mansell expressed his support for the request and asked if swimming was part of the games.

Amy noted that swimming is considered a summer game and is not part of the Arctic Winter Games.

Councillor Akumalik asked if it would cost the City anything to express interest to host the games.

Amy noted that there is no cost to the City to express interest to host the games.

Councillor Stevenson believed that the City would need two ice surfaces, three full size gymnasiums and soccer field to host the games and possibly other facilities as well. He believed that there were discussions in co-hosting with Rankin Inlet and asked if this remained a possibility.

Amy noted that there are a number of options available to address this such as using existing facilities; the FOL building could be used with sport floors surfaces, basketball nets, et cetera. A new arena could be developed in addition to the Arctic Winter Games Complex as planned by the City and the current soccer pad could be used as well.

Deputy Mayor Ell expressed his support to express interest to host the games and asked when the City could expect to know if they will be hosting the games.

Amy believed that it would be confirmed with the City by 2016 if they are to host the games.

Councillor Akumalik asked if the City could request to co-host the games with Greenland or the Northwest Territories in 2016 or 2018.

Amy noted that Greenland is slated for hosting the 2016 Arctic Winter Games and the Northwest Territories is slated for hosting the 2018 games; the City could always make a request but it is unlikely that they would approve.

#### **Motion #12-04**

Moved by: Councillor Kilabuk

Seconded by: Councillor Wilman

Council approved the request to express interest in hosting the 2020 Arctic Winter Games in Iqaluit.

**Unanimously Carried**

- b) Appointment of Chair and Co-Chair – Finance Committee of the Whole

#### **Motion #12-05**

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein

Seconded by: Councillor Wilman

Council appointed Romeyn Stevenson as Chair of the Finance Committee of the Whole and appointed David Ell as the Co-Chair.

**Unanimously Carried**

- c) Appointment of Chair and Co-Chair – Planning and Development Committee of the Whole

**Motion #12-06**

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik

Seconded by: Councillor Knickelbein

Council appointed Mary Wilman as Chair of the Planning and Development Committee of the Whole and appointed Jimmy Kilabuk as the Co-Chair.

**Unanimously Carried**

- d) Appointment of Chair and Co-Chair – Engineering and Public Works Committee of the Whole

**Motion #12-07**

Moved by: Councillor Wilman

Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

Council appointed Mat Knickelbein as Chair of the Engineering and Public Works Committee of the Whole and appointed Jimmy Kilabuk as the Co-Chair.

**Unanimously Carried**

- e) Appointment of Chair and Co-Chair – Niksiit Committee

**Motion #12-08**

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein

Seconded by: Councillor Wilman

Council appointed Simon Nattaq as Chair of the Niksiit Committee and appointed Stephen Mansell as the Co-Chair.

**Unanimously Carried**

- f) Appointment of Chair, Co-Chair and Member – Recreation Committee

**Motion #12-09**

Moved by: Councillor Wilman  
Seconded by: Councillor Kilabuk

Council appointed Romeyn Stevenson as Chair of the Recreation Committee, Joanasie Akumalik as Co-Chair and Stephen Mansell as a member.

**Unanimously Carried**

- g) Appointment of Chair, Co-Chair and Member – Public Safety Committee

**Motion #12-10**

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik  
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Ell

Council appointed Mary Wilman as Chair of the Public Safety Committee, Stephen Mansell as the Co-Chair and Joanasie Akumalik as a member.

**Unanimously Carried**

- h) Appointment of Chair, Co-Chair and Member – Economic Development Committee

**Motion #12-11**

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein  
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council appointed Jimmy Kilabuk as Chair of the Economic Development Committee, David Ell as the Co-Chair and Joanasie Akumalik as a member.

**Unanimously Carried**

- i) Appointment of Member – Board of Revision

**Motion #12-12**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Ell  
Seconded by: Councillor Wilman

Council appointed Joanasie Akumalik to the Board of Revision.

**Unanimously Carried**



j) Appointment of Chair and Co-Chair – Taxi Review Board

**Motion #12-13**

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik  
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council appointed Mat Knickelbein as the Chair of the Taxi Review Board and appointed Jimmy Kilabuk as Co-Chair.

**Unanimously Carried**

k) Appointment of Chair and Co-Chair – Grievance Committee

**Motion #12-14**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson  
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Ell

Council appointed Mary Wilman as Chair of the Grievance Committee and appointed Mat Knickelbein as Co-Chair.

**Unanimously Carried**

l) Appointment of Member – Emergency Management Plan Committee

**Motion #12-15**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Ell  
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council appointed Mat Knickelbein to the Emergency Management Plan Committee.

**Unanimously Carried**

m) Appointment of Member – Mayor's representative on Search and Rescue Committee

**Motion #12-16**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson  
Seconded by: Councillor Wilman

Council appointed Simon Nattaq as the Mayor's representative on the Search and Rescue Committee.

**Unanimously Carried**

Councillor Nattaq noted that a community representative for Iqaluit must be appointed for the Inuit organization committee.

Mayor Redfern noted that a Council member must be appointed for the Qikiqtani Inuit Association committee as Councillor Nattaq had to resign.

Councillor Wilman asked for clarification.

Councillor Nattaq clarified that a representative from each community must sit on the Qikiqtani Inuit Association committee.

Councillor Akumalik noted that it is the CLARC Committee.

Councillor Nattaq noted that they meet a few times per year and do not report to Council.

**Motion #12-17**

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein

Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council appointed Mary Wilman as City Council's representative on the CLARC Committee.

**Unanimously Carried**

n) **Mayor's Activity Report**

Councillor Wilman asked for information on the Chairperson for the Nunavut Association of Municipalities.

Mayor Redfern noted that Percy Kabloona is now the president of the Nunavut Association of Municipalities.

Councillor Mansell asked for clarification on the meeting regarding loose dogs.

Mayor Redfern stated that the meeting was in relation to a Public Service Announcement released by the City to remind residents that their dogs must be registered and requesting information on an incident that occurred last week. The announcement also reminded residents why it is important to register their dogs and the value of that registration; if a dog is not registered the fines are greater. She noted that there was also an interview with CBC News that will be aired shortly.

Councillor Wilman asked for an update on the snowmobile trails.

Mayor Redfern stated that there were discussions with the Director of Planning and Development and it was indicated that the City has the ability to do a lot of the work in house for the development of snowmobile trails in partnership with the Hunters and Trappers Association and the CLARC committee. Several issues were discussed and reviewed and will be discussed further at a later meeting.

Councillor Wilman stated that she was advised that there are consultants in Pangnirtung that could also assist the City with the development of snowmobile trails.

## **10. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a) Finance Committee of the Whole Report No. 08  
Councillor Stevenson, Chairperson
- i) Transfer of Funds from Sanitation Vehicle Replacement Reserve to General operating Account (FIN11-39)  
Councillor Stevenson, Chairperson

### **Motion #12-18**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson  
Seconded by: Councillor Knickelbein

Council approved the transfer of one hundred fifty thousand (\$150,000.00) dollars from the Sanitation Vehicle Replacement Reserve to the General Operating account.

**Unanimously Carried**

### **Motion #12-19**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson  
Seconded by: Councillor Wilman

Council approved the transfer of three hundred five thousand nine hundred fourteen dollars and fifty two cents (\$305,914.52) from the City Hall/ Recreation Building Reserve, fifty thousand nine hundred twenty dollars and forty three cents (\$50,920.43) from the Emergency Services Building Reserve and fifty thousand nine hundred twenty dollars and forty three cents (\$50,920.43) from the Ambulance Building Reserve to the General Operating account.

**Unanimously Carried**

- b) Niksiit Committee Report  
Councillor Nattaq, Chairperson
  - i) Iqaluit Library Ten Book Club  
Councillor Nattaq, Chairperson

Andy Nichols, Community Wellness Coordinator, noted an error in the document and funds distributed from Brighter Futures is nine hundred (\$900.00) dollars; not four thousand four hundred (\$4,400.00) dollars.

**Motion #12-20**

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein  
Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

Council approved the Iqaluit Library Ten Book Club proposal in the amount of nine hundred (\$900.00) dollars; funds to be allocated from Brighter Futures. <b>Unanimously Carried</b>
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Councillor Wilman left chambers due to a conflict of interest with item 10 (b) (ii).

- ii) Tukisigiavik Society  
Councillor Nattaq, Chairperson

Deputy Mayor Ell asked if the society was receiving sufficient funds and if the funds had been decreased.

Andy noted that funds from other sources were decreased.

**Motion #12-21**

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik  
Seconded by: Councillor Knickelbein

Council approved the proposal from the Tukisigiavik Society in the amount of one hundred thirty thousand (\$130,000.00) dollars; funds to be allocated from HPS. <b>Unanimously Carried</b>
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Councillor Wilman returned to chambers.

- iii) Qayuqtivik Society  
Councillor Nattaq, Chairperson

**Motion #12-22**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Ell  
Seconded by: Councillor Kilabuk

Council approved the proposal from the Qayuqtivik Society in the amount of twenty thousand (\$20,000.00) dollars; funds to be allocated from HPS.  
**Unanimously Carried**

- iv) YWCA Agvvik Society  
Councillor Nattaq, Chairperson

**Motion #12-23**

Moved by: Councillor Mansell  
Seconded by: Councillor Knickelbein

Council approved the application from the YWCA Agvvik Society in the amount of one hundred one thousand six hundred and sixty three (\$101,663.00) dollars; funds to be allocated from HPS.  
**Unanimously Carried**

- v) Uquutaq Society  
Councillor Nattaq

**Motion #12-24**

Moved by: Councillor Wilman  
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council approved the proposal from the Uquutaq Society in the amount of eighty two thousand (\$82,000.00) dollars; funds to be allocated from HPS.  
**Unanimously Carried**

- c) Finance Committee of the Whole Report No. 01  
Councillor Stevenson, Chairperson
- i) Increases to Water Rates (FIN12-02)  
Councillor Stevenson, Chairperson

**Motion #12-25**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson  
Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

Council approved a two (2) percent decrease to the Residential Water Rate subsidy, a two (2) percent increase to the Commercial Water Rate and a thirteen point five (13.5) percent increase to the Government/Institutional/Transmission/Industrial Water Rate.

**Unanimously Carried**

- ii) Mill Rate Increases (FIN12-03)  
Councillor Stevenson, Chairperson

**Motion #12-26**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson  
Seconded by: Councillor Kilabuk

Council approved an increase to the Commercial Mil Rate of one (1) Mil, an increase to the Transmission Mil Rate of one (1) Mil and an increase to the Industrial Mil Rate of three point two (3.2) Mil; Residential Mil Rate to remain the same.

**Unanimously Carried**

- iii) 2012 Budget (FIN12-04)  
Councillor Stevenson, Chairperson

Deputy Mayor Ell apologized for not being in attendance during the first part of the budget deliberations and asked if all employees received the same benefits as managers and directors.

John Hussey, Chief Administrative Officer, stated that unionized employees benefits are outlined in the collective agreement and exempt employees, managers and directors, have higher benefits such as salary and settlement allowance; the remaining benefits are on par with unionized employees, such as Vacation Travel Allowance, except for overtime. Excluded employees receive three weeks of lieu time rather than being paid overtime hours.

Mayor Redfern noted that the budget addresses all increases.

Deputy Mayor Ell asked if all employees received the same amount for Vacation Travel Allowance.

John Hussey noted there is a slight difference for management's spouses; they receive less on a family basis.

Deputy Mayor Ell asked if there was a reason why they receive less than unionized employees.

John Hussey stated that this decision was approved by the previous Council.

**Motion #12-27**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson

Seconded by: Councillor Kilabuk

Council accepted the 2012 budget as presented.

**Unanimously Carried**

**11. CORRESPONDENCE**

g) Donation for U18 Boys Soccer Team

Councillor Stevenson noted that if the City supports this soccer team and provides the donation, there are twenty five other soccer teams that will also be looking for donations; the City cannot support all twenty five teams. He did not believe that it was fair to support one team and not the others and suggested that the City deny the request for donation.

Councillor Nattaq noted that the Mayor's donation fund only permits a donation of two hundred (\$200.00) dollars.

Mayor Redfern noted that she is very careful with the spending of the donation fund. A portion of the funds was used in 2011 for remediation services for a tragic event that occurred; she supported Councillor Stevenson's comment.

Councillor Akumalik suggested that the City provide in-kind donations rather than financial donations.

Mayor Redfern noted that the only in-kind donation the City would be able to provide would be promotional items such as pins, pens, et cetera.

**Motion #12-28**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson

Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

Council does not approve the donation request of the U18 Boys Soccer Team.

**Unanimously Carried**

**12. IN CAMERA SESSION**

One legal matter was to be discussed In Camera.

**Motion #12-29**

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein  
Seconded by: Councillor Wilman

Council approved to go In Camera at 7:25pm.

**Unanimously Carried**

**Motion #12-30**

Moved by: Councillor Mansell  
Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

Council returned to Regular Session at 7:40pm.

**Unanimously Carried**

**Motion #12-31**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson  
Seconded by: Councillor Knickelbein

Council directed the Chief Administrative Officer to arrange for monthly meetings with Directors and Council to provide short reports and discussion.

**Unanimously Carried**

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion #11-32**

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein  
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Ell

Council approved to adjourn City Council Meeting #01 at 7:45pm.

**Unanimously Carried**



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Madeleine Redfern  
Mayor

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John Hussey  
Chief Administrative Officer

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Valerie Collin  
Recorder

Approved by City Council on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2012, AD.