

**CITY OF IQALUIT
CITY COUNCIL MEETING #07
April 12th, 2011 at 6:00 PM
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

PRESENT FROM COUNCIL

Mayor Madeleine Redfern
Deputy Mayor David Ell
Councillor Mary Ekho Wilman
Councillor Jimmy Kilabuk
Councillor Mat Knickelbein
Councillor Joanasie Akumalik
Councillor Mary Akpalialuk
Councillor Romeyn Stevenson

ABSENT

Councillor Simon Nattaq

PRESENT FROM ADMINISTRATION

John Hussey, Chief Administrative Officer
Tracy Leschyshyn, City Clerk
Arif Sayani, Director, Planning and Lands
Sean Tiessen, Materials Coordinator
Andy Nichols, Community Wellness Coordinator
Valerie Collin, Recorder
Jeanie Eeseemailee, Senior Interpreter/Translator
Rachel Ootoova, Senior Interpreter/Translator

PRAYER

Councillor Kilabuk opened the meeting with a prayer at 6:05pm.

SWEARING IN

None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion #11-121

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Wilman

c) City Council Meeting Minutes #05 – March 8, 2011

Motion #11-124

Moved by: Councillor Kilabuk
Seconded by: Councillor Knickelbein

Council approved City Council Meeting Minutes #05 dated March 8, 2011. Unanimously Carried
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2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Akumalik declared conflict of interest with item 9 (d).

Deputy Mayor Ell declared conflict of interest with item 9 (c).

Councillor Knickelbein declared conflict of interest with item 10 (a) (xii).

Councillor Stevenson declared conflict of interest with item 10 (a) (viii).

3. DELEGATIONS

None

4. AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

None

5. STATEMENTS

Deputy Mayor Ell stated that he attended the Nutrition North kick off at Northmart on behalf of the City.

Councillor Wilman believed that the City should advertise the cost of the ambulance service or advise residents prior to being transported to the hospital as many residents are not aware of the fee; many believe that the ambulance service is free.

She also suggested that a by-law be drafted for individuals with disabilities as the City currently does not have one.

Councillor Knickelbein stated that he received an email from a concerned citizen regarding snowmobiles in the downtown area, specifically near the beach. Snowmobilers are driving at high speeds as well as vehicles; a public service announcement should be released to remind residents that snowmobilers may

be in the area and to proceed with caution. He also suggested that signs be installed in these areas.

Councillor Kilabuk expressed his support for signs being installed in that particular area.

Mayor Redfern acknowledged and thanked the fire department for their efforts during the apartment building fire on the Road to Nowhere. The Recreation Department was also responsible for taking the lead in community efforts in collecting items for the families who lost their belongings in the fire.

She noted that four community members recently died and believed that this was very unfortunate; these individuals should be recognized and remembered.

6. DEFERRED BUSINESS AND TABLED ITEMS

None

7. BYLAWS

a) First Reading of By-law (s)

- (i) 2011 Mill Rate By-law Amendment
Tracy Leschyshyn, City Clerk

Tracy Leschyshyn, City Clerk, stated that the purpose of the amendment is to correct a clerical error in Schedules B and C of the by-law.

Motion #11-125

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein
Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

Council approved First Reading of 2011 Mill Rate By-law Amendment. Unanimously Carried
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b) Second Reading of By-law (s)

- (i) 2011 Mill Rate By-law Amendment
Tracy Leschyshyn, City clerk

Motion #11-126

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council approved Second Reading of 2011 Mill Rate By-law Amendment.
Unanimously Carried

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

None

8. OLD BUSINESS

None

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Terms of Reference – Recreation Committee
Councillor Stevenson, Chairperson

Councillor Stevenson stated that the Terms of Reference for the recreation Committee were reviewed and changed; they were mostly clerical changes.

Motion #11-127

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Councillor Knickelbein

Council approved the updated Terms of Reference for the Recreation Committee.
Unanimously Carried

- b) Request for Decision – Development Permit No. 11-004 and Variances (Lots 49-55, Plan 674, NHC)
Arif Sayani, Director, Planning and Lands

Arif Sayani, Director of Planning and Lands, stated that Nunavut Housing Corporation has applied for a Development Permit to build three five plexes on Lots 49 to 55, Plan 674. The lands are currently occupied by seven old single-detached dwellings; most are in very poor condition but one unit was recently renovated. The dwellings will be removed and the renovated unit will be specifically relocated to Lot 204, Plan 644 to replace a unit that burned down last year.

He stated that the proposed development consists of three five-unit row dwellings, for a total of fifteen dwelling units. The row dwellings are one storey in height and are all two bedroom units. He noted that a total of eight parking spaces are proposed in two parking areas; one space will be for visitors and one space will be identified as a disabled space. There is space for snow piling

behind the parking areas and a potential amenity area for residents has been identified between the middle and southerly five plex.

He noted that the proposal requires three variances to Zoning By-law No. 704. The applicant is therefore requesting the following variances:

1. To deem the eastern lot line along Mattaaq Crescent as the front lot line.
2. To reduce the rear yard setback from 6.0 m to 3.0 m.
3. To reduce the front yard setback from 6 m to 3.8 m.

Arif stated that leaseholders and landowners of properties located within thirty metres of the subject lots were notified of the requested variances. Comments were received from the Qikiqtani Inuit Association Lands Division and Qikiqtaaluk Properties Inc. Qikiqtani Inuit Association owns the lot known as Lot 536, Plan 911 and Qikiqtaaluk Properties Inc. owns the lot known as Lot 56, Plan 674. He stated that the comments indicate no objection to the proposed variances.

Concerns were expressed regarding the proposed location of the five plex oil tanks and drainage towards a ditch that runs parallel to the above-ground utilidor easement. He noted that this ditch runs along the western side of the easement and currently traverses the Qikiqtani Inuit Association lot. The City is considering redirecting the existing drainage course in the future into the City-owned easement through appropriate lot grading measures. This would be done once the above-ground utilidor is removed, after the completion of the below ground utilidor.

The City has requested confirmation that this approach is acceptable to Qikiqtani Inuit Association and Qikiqtaaluk Properties Inc. Arif noted that a condition of approval was added to ensure no drainage flows from Building A onto the adjacent Qikiqtaaluk Properties Inc. lot.

A second concern was the safety and security of spaces around the proposed buildings, specifically the proposed lighting conditions and the lack of windows on the end walls of the five plexes. Given the proximity of the proposed buildings to the road staff feel that these spaces will be well lit by street lighting and will be visible from Mattaaq Crescent. Nunavut Housing Corporation is to confirm whether any lighting is proposed on their five plexes.

Motion #11-128

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Ell

Council approved the following:

- Development Permit Application No. 11-004 for Lots 49 to 55, Plan 674 to allow the construction of three 5-unit row dwellings, subject to the conditions in Attachment 1 and on plans listed;
- a variance to deem the eastern lot line as the front lot line, as per Zoning By-law No. 704
- a variance to reduce the rear yard setback to 3.0 metres from the required 6.0 metres, as per Section 10.6 of Zoning By-law No. 704
- a variance to reduce the front yard setback to 3.8 metres from the required 6.0 metres, as per Section 10.6 of Zoning By-law No. 704.

For – Kilabuk, Knickelbein, Stevenson, Wilman, Ell, Akpalialuk
Abstained – Akumalik
Carried

Councillor Akumalik abstained to the motion due to declared conflict of interest.

- c) Request for Decision – 2011 Sealift Services Provider
Sean Tiessen, Materials Coordinator

Sean Tiessen, Materials Coordinator, noted for Council that a Request for Tender was issued on March 22, 2011 for the provision of 2011 sealift services; two bids were received. One from Nunavut Eastern Arctic Shipping and the other from Nunavut Sealink and Supply Inc. This tender will allow for the shipment of supplies and equipment via the most economical method of transportation. Nunavut Eastern Arctic Shipping had the lower pricing in eighteen out of nineteen price categories; it is recommended to award the tender to Nunavut Eastern Arctic Shipping.

Motion #11-129

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Kilabuk

Council approved to award the 2011 Sealift Contract to Nunavut Eastern Arctic Shipping as per their Request for Tender submitted March 30, 2011.

For – Kilabuk, Akumalik, Knickelbein, Stevenson, Wilman, Akpalialuk
Abstained – Ell
Carried

Deputy Mayor Ell abstained to the motion due to declared conflict of interest.

d) Information Item – QIA Request re: Baffinland Mary River Project
Mayor Redfern

Mayor Redfern noted for Council that she shared and distributed a letter regarding the Baffinland Mary River Project. The Qikiqtani Inuit Association recently created committees for the affected communities regarding the Baffinland Mary River Project; Iqaluit was not included in the communities chosen. She stated that in the Baffinland Environmental Impact statement, which is approximately five thousand (5,000) pages in length, Iqaluit is recognized under category three as an impacted community. During the recent Baffin Mayor's forum, she asked the President of Qikiqtani Inuit Association if they believed that the Qikiqtani Inuit Association was prepared to recognize Iqaluit as an affected community. Qikiqtani Inuit Association confirmed they are prepared to recognize Iqaluit as well. She believed that this was simply an oversight on their part that Iqaluit was not recognized as an impacted community; this information provided to the committee would allow the community to provide feedback.

Mayor Redfern explained that she would like to write a letter to Qikiqtani Inuit Association requesting that Iqaluit be included.

Councillor Stevenson asked how the committees are created; who is responsible for appointing the members to the committee?

Mayor Redfern believed that the committee had six members which would include a Council member, a Hunters and Trappers Organization member, community Lands and Resource committee member, the Chair is usually the Qikiqtani Inuit Association member and three additional members at large.

Councillor Stevenson asked how many categories are in the Baffinland Environmental Impact statement and what categories the other communities were listed as.

Mayor Redfern stated that category one communities are those closest to the mines; Pond Inlet, Clyde River, Arctic Bay, Igloolik and Hall Beach. The category two communities were Cape Dorset and Kimmirut due to the shipping route. The last category is category three and Iqaluit is the only community identified in this category as Iqaluit is a point of hire. She believed that Iqaluit was more than just a point of hire; it is a gateway city.

Motion #11-130

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council directed that a letter be written to Qikiqtani Inuit Association requesting that Iqaluit be listed as an impacted community in the Baffinland Mary River Project.

**For – Kilabuk, Knickelbein, Stevenson, Wilman, Ell, Akpalialuk
Abstained – Akumalik
Carried**

Councillor Akumalik abstained to the motion due to declared conflict of interest.

e) Information Item – Mayor's Activity Report
Mayor Redfern

Councillor Akumalik inquired as to the status of the meeting request with the members of the Legislative Assembly.

Mayor Redfern stated that she is regularly in contact with Eva Ariak's constituency office; they are currently working on scheduling a meeting with members of the Legislative Assembly and City Council. She stated that she has also emailed Eva Ariak directly to advise her of the meeting request.

Councillor Stevenson asked for clarification on the meeting regarding dog issues.

Mayor Redfern stated that one of the discussions was regarding a specific issue relating to a citizen's dog that was seized; she was asked that an inquiry be conducted for this and that a meeting be held with the dog owners. A report will be prepared for this and shared with Council. In reviewing the Domestic Animal Control By-law after this matter arose, it was pointed out that if you register your dog, it is the duty of Municipal Enforcement Officers to advise the dog owner when their dog is seized; she was not confident that this was done regularly. There is also a reduction in fines if the dog is registered. She stated that she asked the Chief Municipal Enforcement Officer to release a public service announcement regarding the registration of dogs.

Councillor Stevenson believed that the number to call when a dog is loose should be advertised so that individuals know what number to call after hours. There are often dogs loose throughout the community and it would be easier if individuals knew the number to call.

Mayor Redfern stated that she will also meet with the Municipal Enforcement Department regarding neutering and spaying of dogs; a clinic should be held for those who may not be able to afford this surgery. This could be done through sponsorship or some kind of fundraising event.

Deputy Mayor Ell asked for clarification on the meeting with Mark Morissey, LSB Poverty Law Lawyer.

Mayor Redfern noted for Council that the City has been involved in the Anti Poverty Strategy; some Council members attended workshops. As a result of the Government of Nunavut and Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated not being proactive in defining what poverty is in Nunavut and the history of poverty, the fact that there is a poverty law lawyer, she met with the Legal Services Board to see if they would be interested in conducting work on this issue; they expressed interest in doing so. She stated that they also indicated that they would be prepared to try and assess how the eighteen point eight eight (18.88) per cent power rate increase would affect those on social assistance or of lower income. The work would not be conducted on behalf of the City, but on behalf of the Legal Services Board; they would share it with the City and anyone interested to see it.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) Niksiit Committee Report
Andy Nichols, Community Wellness Coordinator
- i) Toonik Tyme Society
Andy Nichols, Community Wellness Coordinator

Motion #11-131

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

Council approved the Toonik Tyme proposal in the amount of seven thousand six hundred (\$7,600.00) dollars; funds to be allocated from Brighter Futures.

Unanimously Carried

- ii) Tasiugtigiit Society
Andy Nichols, Community Wellness Coordinator

Councillor Akumalik asked for clarification on the group.

Andy Nichols, Community Wellness Coordinator, stated that they are a multi-function family resource centre where they offer preschool programs, after school programs, cooking classes, sewing classes, et cetera.

Motion #11-132

Moved by: Councillor Akpalialuk
Seconded by: Councillor Knickelbein

Council approved the Tasiuqtigiit Society proposal in the amount of ten thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars; funds to be allocated from Brighter Futures.

Unanimously Carried

- iii) Summer Reading Program
Andy Nichols, Community Wellness Coordinator

Councillor Wilman asked for clarification on the group.

Andy responded that they are friends of the Iqaluit Centennial Library; this same group will also be running the Saturday Literacy Program. They are a volunteer group that runs several programs out of the library.

Deputy Mayor Ell asked why the proposals were separate if they were the same group.

Andy responded that the proposals are separate as they are two different programs.

Motion #11-133

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein
Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

Council approved the Summer Reading Program in the amount of four thousand eight hundred sixty four (\$4,864.00) dollars; funds to be allocated from Brighter Futures.

Unanimously Carried

- iv) Saturday Literacy Program
Andy Nichols, Community Wellness Coordinator

Motion #11-134

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein
Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

Council approved the Saturday Literacy Program proposal in the amount of five thousand eight hundred seventy (\$5,870.00) dollars; funds to be allocated from Brighter Futures.

Unanimously Carried

- v) Music Camp
Andy Nichols, Community Wellness Coordinator

Motion #11-135

Moved by: Councillor Akpalialuk
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council approved the Music Camp proposal in the amount of ten thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars; funds to be allocated from Brighter Futures.
Unanimously Carried

- vi) Alianait Arts Festival
Andy Nichols, Community Wellness Coordinator

Deputy Mayor Ell asked if the festival would be held in Iqaluit once again.

Andy confirmed that the festival would be held in Iqaluit.

Motion #11-136

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Councillor Knickelbein

Council approved the Alianait Arts Festival proposal in the amount of ten thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars; funds to be allocated from Brighter futures.
Unanimously Carried

- vii) Hip Hop Spot
Andy Nichols, Community Wellness Coordinator

Councillor Wilman asked if part of the funds is for the instructor's salary.

Andy confirmed that part of the funds would be used for the instructor's salary.

Councillor Wilman stated that it was difficult to approve funding requests when there are no details provided on how the funds would be used. She asked that a brief explanation be included in the package.

Andy responded that he would gladly sit with Council and explain the Brighter Futures application and determine what Council would like to see in the package as there is a lot of information in the applications.

Mayor Redfern agreed with Councillor Wilman and stated that she would be prepared to work with Andy on this matter.

Councillor Knickelbein noted that there is a committee in place to review all funding proposals and that these were the recommendations of the committee. He stated that he would not be interested in receiving a detailed breakdown of what the funds would be used for.

Councillor Akpalialuk stated that she is a member of the Niksiit Committee and that these proposals have been reviewed and discussed by the committee. She noted that several proposals did not receive the amount of funding requested; they were reduced from the original request.

Motion #11-137

Moved by: Councillor Akpalialuk
Seconded by: Councillor Wilman

Council approved the Hip Hop Spot proposal in the amount of seven thousand one hundred thirty two dollars fifty cents (\$7,132.50); funds to be allocated from Brighter Futures.

Unanimously Carried

- viii) Pirurvik Jewelry and Welding Program
Andy Nichols, Community Wellness Coordinator

Motion #11-138

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Ell

Council approved the Pirurvik Jewelry and Welding Program proposal in the amount of thirty thousand (\$30,000.00) dollars; funds to be allocated from Brighter Futures.

**For – Kilabuk, Akumalik, Knickelbein, Wilman, Ell, Akpalialuk
Abstained - Stevenson
Carried**

Councillor Stevenson abstained to the motion due to declared conflict of interest.

- ix) Youth Centre Snack Program
Andy Nichols, Community Wellness Coordinator

Motion #11-139

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council approved the Youth Centre Snack Program proposal in the amount of nine thousand three hundred (\$9,300.00) dollars; funds to be allocated from Brighter Futures.

Unanimously Carried

- x) First Steps Daycare
Andy Nichols, Community Wellness Coordinator

Motion #11-140

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Ell

Council approved the First Steps Daycare proposal in the amount of five thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars; funds to be allocated from Brighter Futures.

Unanimously Carried

- xi) Song of Your Life Program
Andy Nichols, Community Wellness Coordinator

Councillor Wilman asked for clarification on the group.

Andy responded that they are a group of local musicians; the program will be similar to the film Addiction Reduction program approved in 2010.

Councillor Stevenson stated that the film made from the Addiction Reduction program done in 2010 was wonderful.

Andy noted that the movie will be aired at the Astro Theatre on Friday afternoon as part of the Toonik Tyme Festival activities.

Motion #11-141

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein

Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council approved the Song of your Life proposal in the amount of ten thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars; funds to be allocated from Brighter Futures.

Unanimously Carried

- xii) Apex Cooking Club
Andy Nichols, Community Wellness Coordinator

Motion #11-142

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Ell

Council approved the Apex Cooking Club proposal in the amount of six thousand (\$6,000.00) dollars; funds to be allocated from Brighter Futures.

**For – Kilabuk, Akumalik, Stevenson, Wilman, Ell, Akpalialuk
Abstained – Knickelbein
Carried**

Councillor Knickelbein abstained to the motion due to declared conflict of interest.

- xiii) Community Wellness Coordinator Salary
Andy Nichols, Community Wellness Coordinator

Councillor Akumalik believed that thirty thousand (\$30,000.00) dollars was not enough for the Community Wellness Coordinator position.

Mayor Redfern clarified that the thirty thousand (\$30,000.00) dollars is a portion of the Wellness Coordinator's salary.

Motion #11-143

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council approved the Community Wellness Coordinator Salary proposal in the amount of thirty thousand (\$30,000.00) dollars; funds to be allocated from Brighter Futures.

Unanimously Carried

11. CORRESPONDENCE

- b) Request for Proclamation: April 28th as a National Day of Mourning for Canadian workers killed and injured on the job

Motion #11-144

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein
Seconded by: Councillor Akpalialuk

Council proclaimed April 28th as a National Day of Mourning for Canadian Workers killed and injured on the job.

Unanimously Carried

f) Request for Letter of Support

Motion #11-145

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein

Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council approved that a letter be written in support of Isuma's funding applications for the Kingulliit Project.

Unanimously Carried

g) Airport Zoning Regulations for Ten Nunavut Airports

Tracy Leschyshyn, City Clerk, noted that this does not require a motion from Council; they are asking that any questions or concerns that Council may have be sent to them for their consultation period.

Councillor Knickelbein believed that the City was trying to communicate with airport officials and representatives with the Federal government regarding parcels of land located in the West 40. The City is interested in those parcels of land for industrial businesses; he asked if this could be discussed during the consultation process.

Mayor Redfern stated that she and John Hussey are working with Transport Canada and airport officials regarding the consequences of the proposed changes. They would like more information on how the changes may affect the community in a negative and positive way.

h) Application: Climate Change Vulnerability and Adaptation Planning in Iqaluit, Nunavut

Motion #11-146

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson

Seconded by: Councillor Kilabuk

Council approved the NRI application: Climate Change Vulnerability and Adaptation Planning in Iqaluit, Nunavut; Sara Statham, McGill University.

Unanimously Carried

i) 2011 Alianait Arts Festival

Tracy Leschyshyn stated that this in-kind donation request is the same as in previous years; the City is able to provide assistance with their request but will not be able to provide the walkie talkies. She stated that this letter was also

supposed to include a request for a letter of support for funding application; the additional request was not received in time and was requested verbally.

Councillor Stevenson asked if the in-kind donation was the same as last year's.

Tracy confirmed that the in-kind donation that the City would provide would be the same as last year's.

Councillor Akumalik asked how much it would cost the City to provide them with the sound equipment for Canada Day.

Tracy responded that she did not know the total cost for the sound equipment but that the City provides this in-kind donation as part of their Canada Day festivities.

Councillor Stevenson believed that the Recreation Department was responsible for the Canada Day celebration events and usually provides the sound system as in-kind donation as it is at the same time as the Alianait Arts Festival.

Motion #11-147

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein

Seconded by: Councillor Wilman

Council approved the Alianait request for in-kind support for the 2011 festival as per the Recreation Director and also approved that a letter of support be sent to Alianait in their efforts to secure funding for the 2011 festival.

Unanimously Carried

12. IN CAMERA SESSION

Motion #11-148

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein

Seconded by: Councillor Wilman

Council approved to go In Camera at 7:20pm.

Unanimously Carried

Motion #11-149

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein

Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council returned to Regular Session at 8:00pm.

Unanimously Carried

Motion #11-150

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council awarded the Apex Bridge Tender to Baffin Building Systems for their bid amount of one hundred forty nine thousand nine hundred (\$149,900.00) dollars plus GST and approved that the Apex Bridge Repair budget be increased to one hundred eighty thousand (\$180,000.00) dollars to reflect the actual project cost. The sixty thousand (\$60,000.00) dollar increase in the project budget will be taken from the Road Patching Machine line one hundred thousand (\$100,000.00) dollars in the 2011 Capital Equipment budget.

Unanimously Carried

13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion #11-151

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Ell
Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

Council approved to adjourn City Council Meeting #07 at 8:05pm.

Unanimously Carried

Madeleine Redfern
Mayor

John Hussey
Chief Administrative Officer

Tracy Leschyshyn
City Clerk

Approved by City Council on the 31st day of May, 2011, AD.