

**CITY OF IQALUIT
CITY COUNCIL MEETING #12
June 11, 2013 at 6:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

PRESENT FROM COUNCIL

Deputy Mayor Mary Wilman
Councillor Terry Dobbin
Councillor Kenneth Bell
Councillor Romeyn Stevenson
Councillor Mark Morrissey

ABSENT

Mayor John Graham
Councillor Simon Nattaq
Councillor Joanasie Akumalik

PRESENT FROM ADMINISTRATION

John Hussey, Chief Administrative Officer
Valerie Collin, Recorder
Arif Sayani, Director, Planning and Development
Luc Grandmaison, Fire Chief
Keith Couture, Director, Public Works
Eva Michael, Communications Officer
Jeanie Eeseemailee, Senior Interpreter/Translator
Rachel Ootoova, Senior Interpreter/Translator

PRAYER

Deputy Mayor Wilman opened the meeting with a prayer at 6:05pm.

SWEARING IN

None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion #13-142

Moved by: Councillor Bell
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

That the agenda be adopted as amended:

Add: 10 (a) – Economic Development Committee Report (Verbal)
Unanimously Carried

1. MINUTES

- a) Public Hearing Minutes – April 30, 2013

Motion #13-143

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Public Hearing Minutes dated April 30, 2013 be approved.
Unanimously Carried

- b) City Council Meeting Minutes #09 – April 30, 2013

Motion #13-144

Moved by: Councillor Morrissey
Seconded by: Councillor Dobbin

That City Council Meeting Minutes #09 dated April 30, 2013 be approved.
Unanimously Carried

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Bell declared a conflict with item 9 (a) (i) – Iqaluit Slo-Pitch Association.

3. DELEGATIONS

- a) Coming Together for Children and Youth in Iqaluit Project
Norah Love

Ms. Norah Love thanked Council for giving her the opportunity to present and noted that this presentation is to provide Council an update on the Coming Together for Children and Youth in Iqaluit Project. They want to ensure that everyone is aware of the work they are doing in Iqaluit and that everyone has the opportunity to provide feedback and input into their process. She stated that she and her colleague were contacted by five national organizations to work on the project; these organizations include Big Brothers/ Big Sisters of Canada, Boys and Girls Club of Canada, YMCA of Canada, YWCA of Canada and United Ways

Centraide Canada. Each of these five national organizations has received invitations from people living within Iqaluit to expand national programming in the community; the purpose of the project is to identify an effective and sustainable way to respond to these invitations. She advised that the goal of their project is to work with the community to build on local strengths and local assets in order to help fill locally identified gaps and programming.

Ms. Love stated that they established a local steering committee in March 2013 and held a number of community consultations; all community consultations were very successful and many residents were in attendance. A letter was then circulated to Council providing information received during the community consultations and their process on the project. They are now in the third step of their project and will take information received during the community consultation and present a draft strategy to expand national programming in Iqaluit. An additional community consultation session will be held on Thursday from 5pm to 7pm at the Arctic Hotel.

Councillor Bell thanked Ms. Love for her presentation and expressed his support for their project; the community is in great need of additional programming.

Councillor Dobbin asked what the difference is between this group and the other groups in Iqaluit such as Girl Guides, Scouts Canada, et cetera.

Ms. Love stated that the five national organizations are partnering for the implementation of this project and will work together to respond to the needs of the community based on information received from residents. Other organizations mostly have one area of focus whereas these organizations have a broader scope and very flexible and adaptable.

Deputy Mayor Wilman asked who would be responsible for the implementation of the program.

Ms. Love advised that they currently have a draft plan but hopes to hire one individual to coordinate and implement the program; they would be seeking an individual from Iqaluit who already plays a role in another organization, such as Girl Guides, and who preferably has national recognition.

Deputy Mayor Wilman thanked Ms. Love for her presentation and believed that this project would be good for the community.

b) Iqaluit Slo-Pitch Association

Ms. Karen Dunphy thanked Council for giving her the opportunity to present and stated that she is here on behalf of the Iqaluit Slo-Pitch Association, who is seeking approval for two special events permits. The Association will be holding its sixth annual CKIQ Canada Day Cup Tournament from June 29th to July 1st,

2013 and will also be hosting the 2013 First Air Territorial Slo-Pitch Championships from August 31st to September 2nd, 2013. They are seeking permission to host a beer garden and concession at the north end of the Federal Road Ball Field.

She noted that as in previous years, the area will be fully fenced with those nineteen (19) years of age or older permitted only. The association will also be hiring a dedicated site supervisor to be on site at all times as well as another non-profit organization to run the concession. The association is very proud to say that they are easily able to comply and adhere to the Nunavut Liquor Act requirements and that in the history of the organization there has never been an incident or issue with events nor have there ever been negative reports, fines, issued to the association by the Liquor Enforcement inspectors.

Councillor Stevenson asked how many years they have been requesting approval for a special events permit and if it was approved each year.

Ms. Dunphy stated that she is not aware of the exact number of years but that she has been part of the league for six years and that they have requested and received approval every year since.

4. AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

None

5. STATEMENTS

Councillor Bell noted that Qulliq Energy Corporation submitted an application to the Utility Rates Review Council for an increase to the Fuel Stabilization Rider for the period of June 1, 2013 to November 30, 2013; the proposed fuel stabilization rider rate is five point three one (5.31) cents per kilowatt-hour. He suggested that a letter be written to them to explain that the increases need to stop and that the city is not in favor of the increase.

Councillor Dobbin noted that Relay for Life will be holding an event to raise awareness against cancer at the Arctic Winter Games complex on June 20th; this is an annual event across the country and is very well attended by individuals. He encouraged everyone to participate and suggested that council or the city form a team for the walk.

Councillor Morrissey expressed his support for Relay for Life and noted that he will be in attendance.

He believed that the city needed to raise their concerns with Qulliq Energy Corporation and make it clear that they are not in support of the rate increase; it

is becoming more and more difficult for families in Iqaluit and increases need to stop.

Councillor Stevenson noted that the turf has been opened for approximately one month and has been very busy; schools, daycares and other organizations and groups use it on a regular basis. He encouraged all residents to participate in different groups and use the turf system as much as they can.

He noted that the boating season is fast approaching and that the breakwater and causeway would soon need maintenance and repairs; he suggested that Administration write a letter to the Government of Nunavut kindly reminding them that maintenance and repairs need to be done on a regular basis and that they need to be done prior to boating season.

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) Matters Arising from Delegations

Councillor Bell left the chamber.

i) Iqaluit Slo-Pitch Association

Motion #13-145

Moved by: Councillor Morrissey
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

That the Iqaluit slo-Pitch Association's request for two special events permits be approved.

Unanimously Carried

Councillor Bell returned to the chamber.

b) Reconsideration of Motion 13-059
Councillor Bell

Motion #13-146

Moved by: Councillor Bell
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

That Motion No. 13-059 be reconsidered.

**For – Dobbin, Bell, Stevenson
Against – Morrissey
Carried**

c) Request for Decision – Caterpillar Backhoe
Keith Couture, Director, Public Works

Administration explained that the Public Works Department requires a backhoe for road and ditch maintenance. Toromont is the local distributor for Caterpillar equipment in Iqaluit and provided the city with a quote for a new backhoe. In order to standardize equipment and reduce maintenance inventory, the department is attempting to acquire similar brand name stocks through annual purchases.

By standardizing equipment, parts will be interchangeable such as tires and filters, making inventory storage easier and more manageable; local specialized diagnostic tools and highly trained technicians will also be available if required.

Councillor Stevenson asked if this backhoe would replace an existing one or if it would simply be added to the existing fleet.

Administration advised that the old backhoe would be kept in Apex for smaller and easier work; the new one would be used for the heavier work in town.

Motion #13-147

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That a Caterpillar Model 420F T3 backhoe be ordered from Toromont for a total purchase price of one hundred thirty five thousand (\$135,000.00) dollars.

Unanimously Carried

- d) Request for Decision – Heavy Cat Truck Chassis
Keith Couture, Director, Public Works

Administration stated that they would like to purchase two truck chassis that are compatible for both trucking services and the roads department. Caterpillar offers an ideal chassis CT660S and Toromont, who distributes for Caterpillar in Nunavut, offers a five (5) year, fifteen thousand (15,000) hour warranty. One truck would be complete with a sander/spreader and the other with a water tank.

Toromont is a locally supported vocational truck equipment supplier. By purchasing through Toromont and standardizing fleet, the need for different filters and tire sizes would be reduced. The Public Works Department currently has many different trucks in the fleet and would like to eventually eliminate to reduce maintenance problems.

Motion #13-148

Moved by: Councillor Bell
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

That two Cat Truck chassis be purchased from Toromont; one complete with a sander/spreader and one complete with a water tank for a total purchase price of four hundred eighty eight thousand nine hundred eighty eight (\$488,988.00) dollars.

Unanimously Carried

- e) Request for Decision – Fire Department Training Ground
Luc Grandmaison, Fire Chief

Administration noted that in 2003, the city disposed of lots in the North 40 industrial subdivision and retained Lots 17, 18, 19 and 20, Block 228, Plan 3586 for the city's operational needs. Lots 17 and 18 were dedicated to the Fire Department for the purposes of a training centre through council motion no. 03-249; no specific use was identified for the remaining lots at that time.

In order to meet the area requirement for the proposed training centre, a third lot is required. Lot 19, Block 228, Plan 3586, is adjacent to the lots currently being

used and would provide adequate space for the Fire Department to implement its training ground plan. The three lots have a total area of six thousand four hundred seventy six (6,476) square meters. In the 2013 Fire Department budget, seventy thousand (\$70,000) dollars was approved for the implementation of a fire training ground.

In April, the Iqaluit Firefighters Association took on the responsibility of seeking additional donations to upgrade the current facility and complete the project. Having three dedicated lots for the training ground will allow the association to continue seeking funds and ultimately complete the project.

Administration advised that the Planning and Development Department has confirmed that Lot 19 is not required by other departments and is confident that dedicating this lot to the Fire Department will not impact city operations.

Dedicating Lot 19 would enhance firefighter safety by having a designated area to practice skills, provide a dedicated area for training and would allow having a facility capable to hold territorial fire training programs in Iqaluit.

Councillor Dobbin stated that he visited the site and believed it to be very messy; there were burnt and crushed vehicles everywhere and the site was very unattractive. He noted that he would have otherwise supported the request but knowing that the city has an unsightly land by-law, the city should be setting the example and cleaning their properties. He asked if the used vehicles could be brought to the landfill and if the remaining area could be cleaned.

Administration understood Councillor Dobbin's concerns and noted that the vehicles are used for training; when the vehicles can longer be used they will be removed from the site and brought to the landfill. There has been a lack of maintenance in the training area and it will be noted that the lot must be kept clean. Once the new training facility is developed the training area will be much cleaner.

Councillor Morrissey asked if the Fire Department conducts live fire training on site.

Administration confirmed that live fire training is held on site; the additional lot requested by the department would allow them to move forward with their training facility, similar to the existing one, but fire resistant and better for training needs. Firefighters need to be trained in realistic situations and know what they could potentially be challenged with when fighting a fire. The new facility would also allow for firefighters from other communities to receive the proper training.

Councillor Bell noted that the lot has been used since 2003 and there are several construction companies in the area; it was noted that the impact on surrounding properties would be minimal. After a visit to the site he noticed that it seemed like

something was still burning with no one on site; he suggested that this be discussed with all firefighters and that it be requested that fires are completely extinguished before leaving the training site.

Administration noted that there is no policy in place for how or when firefighters leave the training site; any building fifty (50) feet or further from the site is not in danger. The department has never received a complaint from the public regarding their training practices or how the site is maintained; they ensure that if a vehicle or any other object in the training area is still burning, that there is no danger for it to become bigger or to spread on adjacent properties.

Councillor Morrissey asked if there have been issues reported in the past with the Fire Department's training area or how the training is provided.

Administration advised that the city has never received complaints or concerns from residents regarding the training area or training methods.

Councillor Dobbin asked if signage would be installed so that individuals are aware that it is a Fire Department training facility and if the area would be fenced.

Administration confirmed that signage would be installed and barricades will be installed to ensure that there is no traffic access to the training area.

Motion #13-149

Moved by: Councillor Bell

Seconded by: Councillor Morrissey

That Lots 17, 18 and 19, Block 228, Plan 3586 be dedicated for the use of a fire training ground to be administered by the Iqaluit Fire Department.

Unanimously Carried

- f) Request for Decision – Survey Sketch SK-IQAL-007-2013
Arif Sayani, Director, Planning and Development

Administration noted that the city is proposing to build a new cemetery on a part of Lot 4 Remainder, Block 1087, Plan 184 in Apex; the land is Untitled Municipal Land held by the Commissioner. The proposed lot area is thirty seven thousand one hundred seventy two (37,172) square metres. The lands subject to the survey form part of a natural area that surrounds Apex.

Motion #13-150

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson

Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That survey sketch SK-IQAL-007-2013 be approved to create a new lot on portion of Lot 4 Remainder, Block 1087, Plan 184.

Unanimously Carried

- g) Request for Decision – Cemetery Concept Design
Meagan Leach, Director, Engineering and Sustainability

Administration noted that, on June 3rd to 6th, 2013, Lees and Associates, travelled to Iqaluit to consult with stakeholders on the New Cemetery Project conceptual design. During this trip, the following stakeholder meetings were held:

- public open house in Apex (June 4),
- meetings with city staff (City Clerk, Public Works, Engineering, Planning and Development),
- Engineering and Public Works Committee of the Whole Meeting on June 5, 2013
- meeting with the elders on June 5, 2013

At these meetings, the conceptual design was presented for discussion and stakeholder feedback was collected. Based on this work, a Consultation Report was completed with recommendations on how to address this feedback in the design; the original conceptual design was updated.

Motion #13-151

Moved by: Councillor Bell
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

That the New Cemetery Concept Design dated June 11, 2013 be approved and that the Engineering Department proceed with detailed engineering and construction.

Unanimously Carried

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) Economic Development Committee Report
Councillor Morrissey, Chairperson

Councillor Morrissey noted that Habitat for Humanity holds an annual golf tournament as a fundraiser and is always very successful; they sent the city a request for sponsorship of a hole in the golf tournament for a total cost of one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars and the Economic Development Committee expressed their support for the request.

Motion #13-152

Moved by: Councillor Morrissey
Seconded by: Councillor Dobbin

That one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars be allocated from the Economic Development Officer budget to sponsor a hole in the Habitat for Humanity Golf Tournament.

Unanimously Carried

11. CORRESPONDENCE

b) Archaeology Permit Application: "Heart of the Arctic Cruise Ship"

Councillor Bell noted that these applications are meant so that the community is aware of what researchers are doing in the community and the applications are not shared with the community; he expressed his concern with the review process of the research applications and noted that he will not support any applications unless they are shared with the community.

Councillor Stevenson stated that he did not understand why Council needed to approve cruise ship visits to Iqaluit or their visits to archaeological sites.

Administration noted that the research applications submitted are very lengthy and it was requested by Council that a standardized form be created and provided to the Nunavut Research Institute or any other organization providing research applications for Council review; this provides a one page summary of their research, when they will be in Iqaluit, what they will be doing that may impact the community and where the research will be done.

Motion #13-153

Moved by: Councillor Dobbin
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

That the Inuit Heritage Trust archaeology permit application "Heart of the Arctic Cruise Ship" be approved.

**For – Dobbin, Stevenson, Wilman
Against – Bell
Carried**

c) Archaeology Permit Application: "Lindblad Cruise Ship"

Motion #13-154

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Councillor Dobbin

That the Inuit Heritage Trust archaeology permit application "Lindblad Cruise Ship" be approved.

**For – Dobbin, Stevenson, Wilman
Against – Bell
Carried**

d) Application: "Adapting to Rapid Environmental and Economic Change in Nunavut: How do local communities leverage opportunities to create economic self-sufficiency?"

Motion #13-155

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Councillor Morrissey

That the Nunavut Research Institute application "Adapting to Rapid Environmental and Economic Change in Nunavut: How do local communities leverage opportunities to create economic self-sufficiency?"; Roger Ritsema, University of Ottawa, be approved.

**For – Dobbin, Stevenson, Wilman
Against – Bell
Carried**

12. IN CAMERA SESSION

None

13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion #13-156

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Councillor Morrissey

That the meeting be adjourned at 7:55pm.

Unanimously Carried

Mary Wilman
Deputy Mayor

John Hussey
Chief Administrative Officer

Approved by City Council on the **13th** day of **August**, 2013, AD.