

**CITY OF IQALUIT
CITY COUNCIL MEETING #17
September 13th, 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 Romeyn Stevenson
Councillor Stephen Mansell
Councillor Joanasie Akumalik

ABSENT

Councillor Simon Nattaq

PRESENT FROM ADMINISTRATION

John Hussey, Chief Administrative Officer
Tracy Cooke, City Clerk
John Mabberi-Mudonyi, Senior Director, Corporate Services
Jennifer Catarino, Assistant Planner
Joamie Eegeesiak, Community Economic Development Officer
Ryan Wolfe, Inventory Coordinator
Jeanie Eeseemailee, Senior Interpreter/Translator
Rachel Ootoova, Senior Interpreter/Translator

PRAYER

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

SWEARING IN

Steven Coles was sworn in by Commissioner for Oaths, Robyn Mackey, as a Municipal Enforcement Officer.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion #11-270

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Councillor Wilman

Council approved to adopt the agenda as amended:

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| Delete | Item 3 (b) – Kirt Ejesiak |
| Add | Item 3 (c) – Wendy Lee, Citizen at Large |
| Add | Item 9 (d) – Mayor's Activity Report |

Unanimously Carried

1. MINUTES

None

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None

3. DELEGATIONS

- a) RCMP Report
Corporal Kevin Lewis

Corporal Kevin Lewis presented Council with the July 2011 statistics report. He noted that the Iqaluit Detachment continued to be quite busy during the month and the total calls increased compared to July 2010. The total calls for service for the year to date remains close to the number of calls for service received in 2010.

He stated that the most significant event in the month of July was the tank farm fire; this accidental fire caused a lot of damage to one of the fuel tanks. In late July, there was a fire that destroyed four shacks on the beach behind the Elders Centre. The prompt response by the Iqaluit Fire Department limited the damage to these four shacks only.

Corporal Lewis stated that there were several serious boating accidents in Nunavut during the month of July, including one just outside of Iqaluit. The Royal Canadian Mounted Police media team released an announcement reminding people to be cautious when boating. He noted that one of the easiest ways of increasing the chance of survival in a boating accident is by wearing a life jacket.

He noted that the detachment was temporarily short staffed in July due to transfers; the members transferring into Iqaluit did not arrive as early as expected. This gradually worked itself out and the detachment expects to be fully staffed by the end of summer.

Corporal Lewis presented Council with the August 2011 statistics report and noted that it was also a busy month. The detachment received fewer calls than August 2010 but alcohol and drugs continue to be a factor in most calls for service.

He noted that one of the highlights of the month was the Governor General's visit. Governor General David Johnston spent three days touring Iqaluit and was very impressed with the community and the friendliness of the local people. He stated that members of the group commented several times on how they were impressed with all that Iqaluit has to offer.

Corporal Lewis stated that though the First Air plane crash happened near Resolute Bay, the Iqaluit Detachment was impacted and members were called to assist. As this happened during the same time as the Governor General's visit, the resources of the Iqaluit detachment were stretched to the limit. He was proud to report that the local members were up to the challenge and still able to provide Iqaluit with the level of policing that people of Iqaluit have come to expect.

He advised that transfers in and out of Iqaluit continue; the Sergeant's position at the detachment is currently vacant as Sergeant Painchaud has moved to a different section at headquarters; they expect that position to be staffed shortly. He noted that they are also one constable short but that position should also be staffed shortly.

Councillor Mansell asked if he could clarify what Other Criminal Code offences are.

Corporal Lewis stated that other Criminal Code offences include causing a disturbance, such as an intoxicated individual walking and screaming at the same time.

Councillor Akumalik asked if the months of June, July and August were busier months for the detachment.

Corporal Lewis confirmed that June, July and August were busier than other months due to the nice weather and camp fires.

Councillor Akumalik asked if he had traffic statistics; the traffic increases every year due to vehicles being ordered and shipped via sealift.

Corporal Lewis noted that traffic offences are usually addressed by the Municipal Enforcement Department; the detachment receives several calls for service in a day and does not have much time to address traffic issues.

Councillor Knickelbein stated that when comparing the total calls for service for 2010 and 2011, there is a decrease of calls for service of approximately five hundred (500); this is very positive in many ways. You often hear that offences increase and things get worse as the city continues to grow but this is not always true.

He asked if the detachment patrolled in the waters and if not, are there discussions of doing it in the future.

Corporal Lewis believed that water patrol was an interest to the detachment but the boats that they used to have were sold; they were old and hard to maintain and special training is required to operate the boat. The boats must be operated by two officers at all times and finding an individual qualified to operate the boat is also hard to find. He believed if the extra resources were found and help was provided by other jurisdictions they could conduct water patrols.

Councillor Knickelbein asked if this could be brought and discussed with other members as it is a very important service and worthwhile discussing.

Councillor Akumalik stated that he and Councillor Stevenson has raised the issue of foot and bicycle patrol in the community; he asked on the status of this matter.

Corporal Lewis stated that the detachment did make a proposal for bicycles but funds were reduced for the detachment over the summer months; this has put the request on hold for the time being. They hope to receive more funding next year so that they can purchase bicycles and conduct bicycle patrols during the summer months, especially during special events.

c) Wendy Lee – Citizen at Large

Wendy Lee thanked Council for giving her the opportunity to present. She noted that residents are expected to follow road regulations but the Municipal Enforcement Officers drive faster and do not stop at stop signs; this is unfair. She stated that wrote a letter to the Director of Emergency and Protective Services and included a detailed letter of a Municipal Enforcement Officer who was not respecting road regulations. This letter did not seem to be taken very seriously by the department or by the City.

Wendy stated that berry picking areas are now being occupied by land owners and individuals must travel far to berry pick; sometimes boats must be used to go berry picking elsewhere.

She noted that there is noise by-law that must be respected and believed that the airplanes are often loud and disturb individuals late at night.

Mayor Redfern thanked Wendy for raising her concerns and noted that these concerns will be discussed with staff.

4. AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

None

5. STATEMENTS

Councillor Akumalik apologized for missing several meetings in August; he was not able to attend due to work demands.

He congratulated Monica Ell on being elected as a member of the Legislative Assembly and believed she would be a wonderful member. She will be able to understand the issues that individuals are faced with in Iqaluit as she has been a long time resident of Iqaluit and her parents have been very involved in the community.

He noted that the Economic Development Committee has not been very active due to his absence in August and would like to be a member of the committee or another committee rather than being Chairperson. He apologized to staff and to the committee for not being a reliable chairperson.

Councillor Mansell stated that he attended the Iqaluit Fire Department's memorial for fire fighters across Canada who assisted with the tragedy of September 11, 2001; he thanked the department for holding this ceremony and noted that it was well attended by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and all City Emergency Services staff.

He stated that during sealift season, material is often left on the side of the road as the garbage services does not pick up these large items; he suggested that the City have a one day special pick up for these large items.

Councillor Wilman stated that she received a phone call from a resident regarding the Piquitvut brochures that have been distributed throughout the community. A meeting was attending by many residents and they believed the brochure to be very informative and interesting. She believed that many residents were very excited and looking forward to having new facilities in the community.

She noted that many people live close to each other and do not have much space between houses. When materials or personal items are left outside in an unsightly manner, others do not like this and complain. She asked what the City

could do to address this issue. Residents are asking what the status is on the Property Standards By-law that Council has reviewed on a couple of occasions.

Councillor Stevenson noted that the Recreation Department held the annual Mass Registration and he was in attendance to share the ideas for new facilities with residents of Iqaluit. There were several residents interested and excited to hear about the new facilities. He stated that during discussions regarding what is being proposed, there were several positive comments and expressions from the residents and children who were there.

He noted that the Hunters and Trappers Association is collecting the skull and remaining bones from the recent bow head whale hunt for display and believed that this was very important; he hoped that the City would also be able to assist with this in the future.

Mayor Redfern acknowledged the efforts of the Qikiqtani Inuit Association in partnership with Qikiqtani Logistics on the beach clean-up, especially on the Inuit owned land. She noted that the City is also dedicated in cleaning up its beach area and is currently very busy with the clean-up of the West 40. This requires several loads and a lot of time. She noted that the City is also busy with repairs of shoulders, grading and getting ready for the winter months.

She thanked staff who assisted during the power outage in meeting with gas stations, grocery stores and others.

She congratulated Monica Ell on her election and hopes to have a meeting with all MLA's in the near future.

6. DEFERRED BUSINESS AND TABLED ITEMS

- a) Request for Decision – Survey Sketch SK-IQAL-004-2011
Transport Canada
Jennifer Catarino, Assistant Planner

Jennifer Catarino, Assistant Planner, stated that Public Works and Government Services Canada, on behalf of Transport Canada, wishes to subdivide Lot 945, Plan 3659 into two parcels with frontage along Akilliq Drive. The purpose of the survey is to create a new lot for an existing receiver/transmitter site for the FOL operation at the airport; Parcel A contains the existing receiver/transmitter site for the FOL operation at the airport. She noted that Parcel A has an area of sixty five thousand five hundred fourteen (65,514) metres square and Parcel B has an area of one hundred seventy seven thousand nine hundred fifty four (177,954) metres square.

Motion #11-271

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council approved Survey Sketch SK-IQAL-004-2011 to subdivide Lot 945, Plan 3659 into two (2) lots.

Unanimously Carried

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 – Public Safety Committee Workshop
Councillor Wilman, Committee Chair

Councillor Wilman stated that the Public Safety Committee would like to accept the proposal from Nunavut Holdings Inc. to provide facilitation services for a one-day workshop, pre and post workshop research, document production and workshop report. The contract would be for seven days and associated workshop costs would not exceed five thousand (\$5,000.00) days.

Councillor Stevenson asked when the workshop would take place.

Councillor Wilman stated that a date has not yet been selected and suggested that Administration suggest a date that would work for Council.

Motion #11-272

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein
Seconded by: Councillor Mansell

Council accepted the proposal of Nunavut Holdings Inc. to facilitate a one day public safety workshop; agreement for services not to exceed five thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars.

Unanimously Carried

- b) Request for Decision – Garage Supply
Ryan Wolfe, Inventory Coordinator

Ryan Wolfe, Inventory Coordinator, stated that on August 18, 2011, the Purchasing Department invited four vendors to provide a tender on the yearly garage supply order for tires, batteries and vehicle fluids; tenders were received until 4:00pm on August 31, 2011. After reviewing the submissions, it was determined that all vendors met the requirements of the Request for Tender. Of these vendors, Baffin Gas had the lowest price; therefore, the Purchasing Department recommends that the contract for the garage supply order be awarded to Baffin Gas.

Motion #11-273

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Ell
Seconded by: Councillor Wilman

Council awarded the contract for the garage tires and fluids supply to Baffin Gas as per their tender submission dated August 30, 2011 in the amount of forty thousand twenty eight dollars and sixty nine cents (\$40,028.69) plus GST.

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

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

- c) Request for Decision – 2011 Nunavut Trade Show
Joamie Eegeesiak, Community Economic Development Officer

Joamie Eegeesiak, Community Economic Development Officer, noted that the Baffin Regional Chamber of Commerce holds an annual Nunavut Trade Show in Iqaluit. For 2011, the show will be held from September 27th to 29th in Iqaluit and the City of Iqaluit has been invited to be a Platinum Sponsor. The City has also been given the opportunity to sponsor an Exhibit Coffee Break during the first day of the Trade Show. The Platinum Sponsorship would include:

- waiver of the rental fee for the Arctic Winter Games Complex
- aid of the Recreation crew
- Public Works crew to assist in moving, setting up and dismantling of barricades and poles, use of equipment and daily garbage removal from the facility
- Public Works crew to clear the area around the facility and across the street to create as much space for parking as possible

Councillor Mansell asked if this request was similar to what the City has done in previous years and does the City feel that they are receiving a benefit from the sponsorship.

Joamie responded that the City sponsors the Trade Show each year; this provides the City exposure to other organizations that are not in Iqaluit.

Motion #11-274

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Kilabuk

Council approved the platinum sponsorship request for the 2011 Nunavut Trade Show in the amount of thirty three thousand seven hundred fifty (\$33,750.00) dollars.

Unanimously Carried

- d) Mayor's Activity Report
Mayor Redfern

Councillor Kilabuk thanked Mayor Redfern for her report.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) Finance Committee of the Whole Report
Councillor Stevenson, Chairperson
- i) June 2011 Financial Statements
Councillor Stevenson, Chairperson

Motion #11-275

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Councillor Knickelbein

Council approved the June 2011 financial statements.

Unanimously Carried

- ii) Increase to Building Inspection Budget
Councillor Stevenson, Chairperson

Motion #11-276

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Councillor Knickelbein

Council approved a two thousand five hundred (\$2,500.00) dollar increase to the Professional Development budget for the Building Inspection division.

Unanimously Carried

- iii) Purchase of Engine for Truck 43
Councillor Stevenson, Chairperson

Motion #11-277

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Councillor Wilman

Council approved that a re-manufactured engine be purchased from Toromont for a total cost of thirty seven thousand seven hundred fifty (\$37,750.00) dollars to be installed on Truck 43.

Unanimously Carried

- iv) Transfer of Funds from Landfill Vehicle Reserve to the General Operating Fund
Councillor Stevenson, Chairperson

Motion #11-278

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

Council approved the transfer of thirty six thousand five hundred eighty two dollars and sixty nine cents (\$36,582.69) from the Landfill Vehicle Reserve fund to the General Operating fund.

Unanimously Carried

- v) Transfer of Funds from Public Works Vehicle Replacement Reserve to General Operating Fund
Councillor Stevenson, Chairperson

Motion #11-279

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Ell

Council approved the transfer of thirty nine thousand two hundred seventy three dollars and sixty nine cents (\$39,273.69) from the Public Works Vehicle Replacement Reserve fund to the General Operating fund.

Unanimously Carried

- vi) Cleaning Services Contract
Councillor Stevenson, Chairperson

Motion #11-280

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Councillor Kilabuk

Council awarded the cleaning contract with Just in Time Cleaning for the provision of cleaning services for City Hall and building 2425 as per their proposal dated August 12, 2011; service contract is for September 1, 2011 to December 31, 2012.

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

Councillor Mansell abstained to the motion due to his concerns raised during the Finance Committee of the Whole meeting on August 29, 2011.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

- b) Proclamation Request: October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Motion #11-281

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Ell

Council proclaimed October as Breast Cancer Awareness month.

Unanimously Carried

- c) Application: Burden of Self-reported Acute Gastrointestinal Illness in Iqaluit

Motion #11-282

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein
Seconded by: Councillor Wilman

Council approved the NRI application “Burden on self-reported Acute Gastrointestinal Illness in Iqaluit”; Sherilee Harper, University of Guelph.
Unanimously Carried

- d) Request for Councillor Appointment to working group

Councillor Mansell stated that he has worked with the Iqaluit Humane Society before and is acquainted and friends with many of those working for the Iqaluit Humane Society and would be happy to work with them again.

Motion #11-283

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Wilman

Council appointed Councillor Mansell to the Iqaluit Humane Society Inc’s working group.
Unanimously Carried

- e) Request for donation to assist in taking children to Disney World

Councillor Wilman asked what the City would be donating.

Mayor Redfern responded that there is no cost; any donation is welcomed.

Councillor Akumalik asked how many children would be going to Disney World.

Mayor Redfern stated that the number of children at the group home fluctuates and could ask them how many children will be going.

Councillor Akumalik asked if the matter could be deferred to a later meeting.

Mayor Redfern stated that the matter could be deferred but more information would need to be requested as soon as possible.

Councillor Stevenson stated that he works with one of the students that will be going to Disney World if this trip does happen; the student is very excited to go. He did not believe it was the City’s responsibility to fund the trip to Disney World;

the group home should be holding fund raising events for this trip. High school students travel every year and support is always appreciated but the responsibility falls with the group going on the trip. He did not support the financial request, but did support the idea of going to Disney World.

Councillor Kilabuk believed that Council could support their endeavor even if they do not support the financial donation request.

Councillor Akumalik agreed with Councillor Stevenson and did not believe that it was the City's responsibility to financially support them, but believed that this was the group home's fundraising event. He stated that he would support donating part of his honorarium that he receives each month from the City.

Councillor Mansell agreed with Councillor Akumalik and stated that he would also donate part of his honorarium for the trip. He suggested that staff also explore the option of providing them the use of facilities for fundraising purposes.

Councillor Knickelbein stated that he does not support financial donations from the City to make this trip a reality. The company awarded the contract for running two group homes is a private for profit organization based out of Kamloops, British Columbia and have been doing very well with their contracts.

Councillor Stevenson noted that the City is currently fundraising through the REACH campaign for the new facilities and staff is very busy; facilities are often booked for events. He did not believe that the City had any time to donate and should be cautious with their decision.

Councillor Akumalik asked if these children were from Iqaluit; some are from other communities in Nunavut and Council should be supporting Iqaluit. Individuals who attend meetings and events in Ottawa are often supported by the City for incidentals and per diems; their request is unclear as to how much they would like to receive.

Motion #11-284

Moved by: Councillor Knickelbein
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Ell

Council supported in principle the children going to Disney World but makes no financial commitment from City resources and will provide alternative information to the children's group home.

Unanimously Carried

12. IN CAMERA SESSION

None

13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion #11-285

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Ell
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council approved to adjourn City Council Meeting #17 at 7:30pm.

Unanimously Carried

Madeleine Redfern
Mayor

John Hussey
Chief Administrative Officer

Tracy Cooke
City Clerk

Approved by City Council on the 13th day of December, 2011, AD.