# CITY OF IQALUIT CITY COUNCIL MEETING #18 September 27<sup>th</sup>, 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
Councillor Simon Nattag

## <u>ABSENT</u>

### PRESENT FROM ADMINISTRATION

John Mabberi-Mudonyi, A/Chief Administrative Officer Valerie Collin, Recorder Jeanie Eeseemailee, Senior Interpreter/Translator

### **PRAYER**

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

# **SWEARING IN**

None

## **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

## Motion #11-286

Moved by: Councillor Wilman Seconded by: Councillor Nattaq

Council approved to adopt the agenda as amended:

Delete Item 3 (b) – Peter Markwell

Add	Item 9 (c) – Request for letter of support for the Canadian Housing
	and Renewal Association's application to Human Resources and
	Skills Development Canada
Add	Item 9 (d) – Mayor's Activity Report
Add	Item 9 (e) – Submission notes to Baffinland Mary River Project
Add	Item 9 (f) – Participants for NIRB in Igloolik
	Unanimously Carried

# 1. MINUTES

a) <u>City Council Meeting minutes #13 – July 12, 2011</u>

## Motion #11-287

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik Seconded by: Councillor Mansell

Council approved City Council Meeting Minutes #13 dated July 12, 2011.

**Unanimously Carried** 

b) Engineering and Public Works Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes #03 – July 19, 2011

## Motion #11-288

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik Seconded by: Councillor Knickelbein

Council approved Engineering and Public Works Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes #03 dated July 19, 2011.

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

Councillor Wilman abstained from the motion as she was not present.

c) <u>City Council Meeting Minutes #14 – July 26, 2011</u>

### Motion #11-289

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik Seconded by: Councillor Knickelbein

Council approved City Council Meeting Minutes #14 dated July 26, 2011.

**Unanimously Carried** 

# 2. <u>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</u>

None

# 3. **DELEGATIONS**

a) <u>Mark Morrissey</u> NEDA

Mark Morrissey, Executive Director of the Nunavut Economic Developer's Association, noted that on May 25, 2010 the Nunavut Economic Developers Association asked for and received the support of Council to bring the 2012 Economic Developers Association of Canada's annual conference to Iqaluit. Their efforts have been successful and the Nunavut Economic Developers Association has won the right to host the 2012 conference.

They anticipate this event will bring in approximately two hundred fifty to three hundred (250-300) delegates from across Canada to participate in four days of workshops and information sessions. For many delegates, this will be their first trip beyond the sixtieth parallel, providing the organizers and sponsors with an excellent opportunity to showcase the city, territory and the North.

Mr. Morrissey stated that to accommodate the expected number of participants, they have been working with the City's Economic Development Officer and Director of Recreation to secure a large venue. They have booked the curling rink to use as the focal point of the conference, hosting the opening and closing ceremonies, a number of receptions and the Presidents Gala Dinner.

The cost of using this venue is five thousand five hundred twelve dollars and fifty cents (\$5,512.50) including GST. They would like to request that the City donate the use of this facility to the Nunavut Economic Developers Association. In recognition of this donation, the organizing committee would acknowledge the City of Iqaluit as an official sponsor of the conference and promote the contribution to the delegates at the 2011 conference in Peterborough, Ontario and the 2012 delegates coming to Iqaluit.

Councillor Akumalik asked if he knew the dates of the 2012 conference in Iqaluit and if more donations would be requested.

Mr. Morrissey stated that the conference will take place from September 29<sup>th</sup> to October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012. He believed that the Nunavut Economic Developer's Association would be seeking in-kind donations from other organizations as well but does not know the details of the donation requests.

Councillor Mansell asked for clarification on the EDAC 2012 conference.

Mr. Morrissey explained that the Economic Developer's Association of Canada is the national association for economic development officers and professionals; their primary focus is capacity development training and ensuring that the professionals working in the field of economic development have the resources and skills set that they need to succeed. The conference itself is an annual gathering that they have been holding since 1979 to discuss best practices, new developments in technology, training, et cetera.

Councillor Mansell asked if they would be encouraging delegates or holding community events aside from the conference.

Mr. Morrissey stated that the agenda for the conference will provide the opportunity for delegates to visit the city and learn more about the territory. The Nunavut Economic Developer's Association is working with Nunavut Tourism, airlines and hotels to explore the option of having day trips or an overnight trip at the end of the conference for the delegates if they wish.

Councillor Wilman noted that this is an annual event and asked what the Nunavut Economic Developer's Association has done in the past for cost of facilities.

Mr. Morrissey stated that the conference is held everywhere across the country and is usually held in a hotel conference room. The conference room cost is usually donated to the Nunavut Economic Developer's Association as the delegates of the conference stay at the hotel and fill the rooms.

Councillor Akumalik asked what benefit this would bring to the City if the donation request was approved.

Mr. Morrissey responded that the City would be listed as an official sponsor of the conference, the City would be promoted at every opportunity present, promotional items and advertisement would be available for delegates from the City and would promote the City to other organizations and cities.

### c) Wendy Lee – Citizen at Large

The delegate was not in attendance.

## 4. <u>AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS</u>

None

### 5. STATEMENTS

Councillor Akumalik expressed his concern with the three-way stop located at the corner of the Navigator Inn; many people cross the road to go to Baffin Gas. He

believed that the City should explore options to address this matter as it is very dangerous when individuals go back and forth and are intoxicated.

He noted that a child was also hit by a vehicle across from Joamie School recently and believed that this area has always been a concern; the city should address this immediately.

Councillor Stevenson stated that he was also approached by residents regarding road safety. The traffic increases every year and so does speeding. He strongly believed that this matter needed to be addressed immediately, especially in school areas. The City could provide driver education on the importance of safe driving in school zones through the Municipal Enforcement Department. He believed that the Public Safety Committee should review this matter and bring recommendations back to Council.

Councillor Knickelbein stated that Nanook School in Apex has a new playground; this is a great new addition to Apex and the children are very excited.

Councillor Akumalik thanked the City for installing the boulders near the Inuksuk High School; this will offer better protection for pedestrians and for the snowmobiles in the winter months.

Deputy Mayor Ell expressed his concern with the lack of lighting in Apex and believed that the City should address this matter.

Councillor Kilabuk thanked the inmates at Baffin Correctional Centre for their clean-up throughout the community and believed that it was very much appreciated by residents.

Mayor Redfern stated that some residents have requested that the City provide water truck deliveries during the holidays to ensure they have enough water; this could be discussed during the 2012 Goals and Objectives session.

She noted that the Iqaluit District Education Authority and the Municipal Enforcement Department are meeting to discuss road and child safety.

## 6. <u>DEFERRED BUSINESS AND TABLED ITEMS</u>

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
  - i) <u>Mark Morrissey</u> NEDA

Councillor Stevenson believed that City facilities are often used for purposes that they are not meant for, to the detriment of the user of those facilities. He means no disrespect to the organization or to the request but believed it was difficult when the City does not have adequate facilities for conferences to be asked to use the recreation facilities; these requests are made on regular basis and are disruptive. He stated that the Recreation Department has unanimously felt that this is an issue and will be able to address this in the future, but not in the near future.

Councillor Mansell noted that the Nunavut Economic Developers Association has already been granted permission to use the facility for the conference. This matter could be discussed between staff and Council at a later date but this organization has already been granted use of the facility. He believed that the request to waive the rental fee should be supported.

Councillor Wilman noted that Council is very aware that the City cannot accommodate a large group of individuals for conferences; fundraising events are now taking place to assist the City with developments of new facilities. The City often approves in-kind donations such as this one as the City supports events taking place in the community. She believed that the issue of in-kind donations for the use of facilities should be discussed further with the Recreation Department.

Councillor Akumalik thanked the individuals who support the City in their fundraising efforts for new facilities and believed that if rental fees were paid, rather than being donated, the money could be used towards the development of new facilities as well.

Councillor Stevenson supported Councillor Wilman's comment that the City should discuss the in-kind donations for use of the facilities with the Recreation Department. A policy should be developed for this matter to clearly state when facilities are to be used and if in-kind donations from organizations are to be approved each time.

### Motion #11-290

Moved by: Councillor Mansell Seconded by: Councillor Nattag

Council approved NEDA's request for in-kind donation of the Curling Club to host the 2012 Economic Developers Association of Canada's annual conference; City will be recognized as an official sponsor of the event.

> For – Kilabuk, Nattaq, Knickelbein, Stevenson, Wilman, Ell, Mansell Against – Akumalik Carried

b) Request for Decision – Purchase of Business Licensing Software Councillor Kilabuk, Chairperson, Economic Development Committee

Councillor Kilabuk, Chairperson for the Economic Development Committee, stated that the Economic Development Officer is currently using an excel database to enter all business license applications. With the purchase of the business licensing software, the City will be able to track applications, properly enter all necessary information, categorize, et cetera. He stated that the software cost is eight thousand fifty (\$8,050.00) dollars which includes the software itself, annual enhancement plan, annual support plan and four days of software training.

### Motion #11-291

Moved by: Councillor Kilabuk

Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council approved the cost of purchasing software to be used for business licenses.

**Unanimously Carried** 

Mayor Redfern noted that she attended the Economic Development Committee meeting last week and it was indicated that Councillor Akumalik had resigned as chairperson for the committee; it was recommended that Councillor Kilabuk be appointed as chairperson for the committee.

### Motion #11-292

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson Seconded by: Councillor Kilabuk

Council appointed Jimmy Kilabuk as the chair of the Economic Development Committee.

**Unanimously Carried** 

c) Request for letter of support for the Canadian Housing and
Renewal Association's application to Human Resources and Skills
Development Canada

Councillor Mansell asked if there is sufficient time to send the letter of support as the deadline was September 21, 2011.

Mayor Redfern confirmed that the letter of support would be accepted even though the deadline has passed.

## Motion #11-293

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Ell

Council approved to write a letter of support for the Canadian Housing and Renewal Association's application to Human Resources and Skills Development Canada.

**Unanimously Carried** 

d) <u>Mayor's Activity Report</u> Mayor Redfern

Mayor Redfern presented Council with her activity report.

e) Submission notes to Baffin Mary River Project

Mayor Redfern noted that a meeting was held with Niksiit Committee members, Council members and the Economic Development Committee members to review the socio-economic aspects of the Baffinland Mary River environmental impact statement. She hoped that these notes captured and reflected the majority of the comments that the group put forward. A formal submission will be drafted based on these points and will then be presented to Council and translated; it will then be sent to the Nunavut Impact Review Board before their deadline.

Councillor Akumalik believed that the airport and port should also be included in these notes as they are very important. He asked if the Hunters and Trappers Organization and CLARC members also gave their thoughts on this matter.

Mayor Redfern stated that she attempted to contact the Hunters and Trappers Organization but was unsuccessful, and has been unsuccessful in contacting the CLARC.

Councillor Nattaq did not believe that this was discussed with CLARK as attendance of members is often an issue.

Councillor Stevenson believed that the submission will be from the capital of Nunavut and that it will be accepted as it is. During the meeting there were a few specific issues discussed such as wanting that the Mary River Project benefit Iqaluit specifically in certain areas; he did not believe this to be included in the notes.

Mayor Redfern advised that her submission notes would be much more extensive and would include all matters discussed during the meeting.

Councillor Mansell stated that the large diamonds companies have their name on buildings and other things; he believed that the City should not be shy and ask the same.

# f) NIRB Participants

Mayor Redfern noted that Council members must be appointed to attend the Nunavut Impact River Board meeting to be held in Igloolik so that they may proceed with reservations.

Councillor Knickelbein stated that he attended the recent meeting held in Iqaluit and would be interested in attending the meeting in Igloolik.

# 10. <u>COMMITTEE REPORTS</u>

None

## 11. CORRESPONDENCE

None

### 12. IN CAMERA SESSION

None

# 13. ADJOURNMENT

# Motion #11-294

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Ell

Council approved to adjourn City Council Meeting #18 at 7:00pm.

**Unanimously Carried** 

Madeleine Redfern	
Mayor	
John Mabberi-Mudonyi	
A/Chief Administrative Officer	
Valerie Collin	
Recorder	

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