

**CITY OF IQALUIT
CITY COUNCIL MEETING #20
October 25th, 2011 at 6:00 PM
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

PRESENT FROM COUNCIL

Mayor Madeleine Redfern (participated via teleconference)
Deputy Mayor David Ell
Councillor Mary Ekho Wilman
Councillor Jimmy Kilabuk
Councillor Romeyn Stevenson
Councillor Stephen Mansell
Councillor Joanasi Akumalik
Councillor Mat Knickelbein

ABSENT

Councillor Simon Nattaq

PRESENT FROM ADMINISTRATION

John Hussey, Chief Administrative Officer
John Mabberi-Mudonyi, Senior Director, Corporate Services
Nicole Aylward, Director, Human Resources
Eva Michael, Communications Officer
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 6:00pm.

SWEARING IN

None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion #11-305

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Wilman

Council approved to adopt the agenda as amended:

Add 9 (a) – Mayor’s Activity Report

Unanimously Carried

1. MINUTES

- a) City Council Meeting Minutes #15 – August 9, 2011

Motion #11-306

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Wilman

Council approved City Council Meeting Minutes #15 dated August 9, 2011.

Unanimously Carried

- b) City Council Meeting Minutes #16 – August 23, 2011

Councillor Knickelbein asked if the reason for going In Camera session could be noted in the minutes.

Motion #11-307

Moved by: Councillor Wilman
Seconded by: Councillor Knickelbein

Council approved City Council Meeting Minutes #16 dated August 23, 2011.

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

**Councillors Akumalik and Mansell abstained to the motion as they were not
in attendance.**

- c) Finance Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes #05 – August
29, 2011

Motion #11-308

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Councillor Mansell

Council approved Finance Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes #05 dated August 29, 2011.

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

Councillor Akumalik abstained to the motion as he was not in attendance.

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None

3. DELEGATIONS

- a) RCMP
Sergeant Tournier

Sergeant Tournier noted that the sudden death that occurred during the past weekend is currently under investigation and no information can be shared with Council at this time. He sent condolences to the family and friends of the individual on behalf of the detachment and thanked all Royal Canadian Mounted Police members who responded to the call. The detachment was very busy with other calls received at the same time as this incident.

He advised that September was a busy month for the Iqaluit detachment; calls for service increased by one hundred (100) compared to September 2010. Most of the calls for service were of a routine nature with the majority being alcohol or drug related.

Of the two hundred twenty (220) calls for service under Other Criminal Code, one hundred sixty nine (169) were Disturbing the Peace. He stated that this generally means that an intoxicated individual is in public. He stated that Property Crimes offences often include many mischief calls; these are intoxicated individuals causing problems in a private home. The one hundred seven (107) incidents under Crimes Against Persons are also often alcohol or drug related; these include all types of assaults and threats.

Sergeant Tournier stated that the detachment received one hundred ninety seven (197) requests for Criminal Records checks; now that the computerized fingerprinting system, Livescan, is online they have been able to shorten the waiting time for possible matches from months to minutes.

He stated that Corporal Kevin Lewis was recently promoted to the vacant Sergeant's position with the detachment and they are currently waiting on the arrival of several members.

With the weather turning colder and the snow arriving the detachment would like to remind everyone to use extra caution when driving. He stated that the streets can be very slippery and visibility is often reduced due to blowing snow; the detachment had ninety one (91) traffic collisions in 2010. He stated that so far, the detachment has responded to seventy one (71) traffic collisions.

Councillor Stevenson stated that an employee of the Inuksuk High School submitted a request for criminal record check over a week ago and is still waiting on the results. He asked if the waiting time is longer if a record is found.

Sergeant Tournier confirmed that the waiting time would be longer if a record was found as more investigation must be done to determine the nature of the record.

Councillor Wilman noted that Council and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police had discussed the issue of addressing repeating offenders related to alcohol and drugs; she asked if this had been implemented yet and if so, what the program was.

Sergeant Tournier stated that the program began in April 2011. After an individual is held in the cells more than once due to alcohol or drugs, they are referred to Social Services where counseling is offered. Individuals often do not return to the program after the first visit; it is a volunteer program. He believed that it was too early to say if the program has been successful or not.

Deputy Mayor Ell noted that there have been a few break-ins in the beach area and asked if the detachment patrols these areas often.

Sergeant Tournier confirmed that the detachment patrols the beach areas as often as they can as they also receive a lot of calls for service for break-ins in that area.

4. AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

None

5. STATEMENTS

Councillor Akumalik sent his condolences to the family and friends of those touched by this tragedy as well as to the family of the one who committed suicide.

He noted that the soccer tournament that took place this weekend was very successful and wonderful; he congratulated the girls on the Huskies team.

Councillor Wilman stated that she has received complaints regarding the boulders installed near the Air Base garage; residents used this road as a faster way to get around traffic at the four corners. She was not aware that this section of road was now closed and asked that a public service announcement be released in the future for road closures.

Councillor Stevenson expressed his appreciation for the soccer tournament and believed that it was a nice privilege for students who come to Iqaluit and enjoy it as a capital city. This big tournament also highlights the importance of having a recreational facility as communities come to Iqaluit for competitive sports.

He stated that a volleyball clinic will be held this weekend; national level coaches will be conducting clinics for students and adults.

Councillor Knickelbein noted that road conditions were very poor last weekend even after sand was spread; the weather was warm and snow fell and made the roads very dangerous. He believed that better ways should be identified to communicate with the public regarding sanding of the roads and bad weather. Using Facebook as the Municipal Enforcement and Recreation Departments have done would be a good option as many people use Facebook.

He noted that November 2, 2011 is "Bring Your Child to Work Day" and encouraged everyone to do so; many people working in the schools do so and the City should also do the same to encourage students to become a municipal government worker in the future.

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)

- i) Appointment of Municipal Enforcement Officer By-law No. 724
Kevin Sloboda, Chief Municipal Enforcement Officer

Motion #11-309

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Knickelbein

Council approved Third and Final Reading of Municipal Enforcement Officer By-law No. 724.

Unanimously Carried

8. OLD BUSINESS

None

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Mayor's Activity Report
Mayor Redfern

Councillor Kilabuk thanked Mayor Redfern for her report and noted that it is very much appreciated.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) Finance Committee of the Whole Report
Councillor Stevenson, Chairperson
- i) Exempt Employee Salary Increase
Councillor Stevenson, Chairperson

Motion #11-310

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Councillor Knickelbein

Council approved a two point five (2.5) per cent increase in base salary, a two point five (2.5) per cent increase in settlement allowance for the years 2011 and 2012 as well as a one (1) per cent increase in pension contribution for all non unionized employees.

**For – Kilabuk, Knickelbein, Stevenson, Wilman, Mansell
Against – Akumalik
Carried**

- b) Niksiit Committee Report
Andy Nichols, Community Wellness Coordinator

- i) Our Voices
Andy Nichols, Community Wellness Coordinator

Motion #11-311

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Wilman

Council approved the Our Voices proposal in the amount of four thousand four hundred (\$4,400.00) dollars; funds to be allocated from Brighter Futures.
Unanimously Carried

11. CORRESPONDENCE

None

12. IN CAMERA SESSION

Motion #11-312

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Councillor Wilman

Council approved to go In Camera at 6:30pm.
Unanimously Carried

Motion #11-313

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Mansell

Council approved to return to Regular Session at 7:40pm.
Unanimously Carried

13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion #11-314

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Councillor Knickelbein

Council approved to adjourn City Council Meeting #20 at 7:45pm.
Unanimously Carried

David Ell
Deputy Mayor

John Hussey
Chief Administrative Officer

Valerie Collin
Recorder

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