

**CITY OF IQALUIT
CITY COUNCIL MEETING #30
OCTOBER 27, 2020 at 6:03 p.m.
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

PRESENT FROM COUNCIL

Mayor Kenny Bell
Deputy Mayor Janet Brewster
Councillor Romeyn Stevenson
Councillor Joanasie Akumalik
Councillor Sheila Flaherty
Councillor Simon Nattaq
Councillor Kyle Sheppard
Councillor Solomon Awa

PRESENT FROM ADMINISTRATION

Amy Elgersma, Chief Administrative Officer
Tammy Ernst-Doiron, City Clerk
Jennifer Jarvis, City Planner
Geoffrey Byrne, Economic Development Officer
Rod Mugford, Municipal Enforcement Chief
Alison Drummond, Senior Director of Corporate Services

Mayor Bell opened the meeting at 6:03 p.m.

Mayor Bell introduced and welcomed Alison Drummond, Senior Director of Corporate Services.

SWEARING IN

None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Add:

9. New Business
 - f) Request for Decision – Housing Task Force Consultant Work
10. Committee Reports
 - c) Cemetery Advisory Committee Report – October 21, 2020
12. In Camera
 - One Legal Item

Motion #20-328

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

Adoption of agenda as amended.

Unanimously Carried

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Bell asked for a moment of silence.

1. MINUTES

- a) **City Council Meeting #29 Minutes dated October 13, 2020**

Motion #20-329

Moved by: Councillor Sheppard
Seconded by: Councillor Awa

City Council Meeting #29 Minutes dated October 13, 2020.

Unanimously Carried

- b) **Planning and Development Committee of the Whole Meeting #08
Minutes dated October 20, 2020**

Motion #20-330

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

Planning and Development Committee of the Whole Meeting #08 Minutes dated October 20, 2020.

Unanimously Carried

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None

3. DELEGATIONS

None

4. AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

None

5. STATEMENTS

Councillor Akumalik commented that he has been approached regarding the derelict vehicles sitting beside houses. He felt the matter to remove derelict vehicles should be discussed. He noted that the cost to dispose of a derelict vehicle is between \$300 and \$400, plus the cost for towing and removal of liquids from the vehicle.

Councillor Akumalik commented that small communities in Nunavut work with Summerhill Impact in the Toronto area, as they recycle old vehicles. He suggested that the City should consider using the same process. He noted that several years ago, the Government of Nunavut advised that there was funding available that can be accessed for removal of derelict vehicles, and perhaps this is still available. He suggested that consideration be given so that elders could receive a discount for removal of derelict vehicles.

Mayor Bell asked that this matter be placed on the next Engineering and Public Works Committee of the Whole agenda for discussion.

Councillor Nattaq advised that he will be away on medical travel and at this time, he is unsure of the duration.

6. DEFERRED BUSINESS AND TABLED ITEMS

a) Mayor's Housing Task Force Update – Verbal

Mayor Bell advised that there was no update on the Mayor's Housing Task Force.

7. BY-LAWS

a) First Reading of By-law(s)

None

b) Second Reading of By-laws(s)

i) By-law No. 901 Amendment to the General Plan By-law No. 703

Motion #20-331

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik

Seconded by: Councillor Awa

Council approves Second Reading of By-law No. 901 Amendment to the General Plan By-law No. 703.

Unanimously Carried

ii) By-law No. 902 Amendment to Zoning By-law No. 704

Motion #20-332

Moved by: Councillor Sheppard
Seconded by: Councillor Flaherty

Council approves Second Reading of By-law No. 902 Amendment to Zoning By-law No. 704.

Unanimously Carried

iii) By-law No. 903 Amendment to Zoning By-law No. 704

Motion #20-333

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Brewster
Seconded by: Councillor Awa

Council approves Second Reading of By-law No. 903 Amendment to Zoning By-law No. 704.

Unanimously Carried

Councillor Stevenson noted that during the Public Hearing, a submission was received from Duncan Cunningham. Councillor Stevenson asked for clarification on the submission.

Jennifer Jarvis, City Planner, felt the concern was transient workers living in the upstairs.

Councillor Stevenson clarified that because there are transient workers, Mr. Cunningham wanted to create training programs so that there would be more Inuit or Nunavummiut workers.

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

None

8. OLD BUSINESS

None

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

a) **Cancel City Council Meeting Dates – December 22, 2020 and January 8, 2021**

Mayor Bell requested to cancel Council meetings on December 22, 2020 and January 8, 2021 due to staff shortages, translations services, and the move to the new City Hall. He explained that the Council Chamber AV components may not be completed for the January 8, 2021 Council meeting.

Mayor Bell noted that in the event of an emergency, a special or emergency Council meeting could be called during that timeframe.

Motion #20-334

Moved by: Councillor Sheppard

Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

That the December 22, 2020 and January 12, 2021 Council meetings be cancelled and in the event of an emergency, a special or emergency Council meeting will be called.

Unanimously Carried

b) **Call for Nominations to the Iqaluit Community Joint Planning and Management Committee of the Sylvia Grinnell and Qaummaarviit Territorial Park**

Amy Elgersma, Chief Administrative Officer, advised that a letter was received from the Government of Nunavut requesting a nomination for the Iqaluit Community Joint Planning and Management Committee of the Sylvia Grinnell and Qaummaarviit Territorial Park.

Ms. Elgersma noted that the group made a presentation to Council over a year ago requesting Council to appoint a Council or staff member to sit on the Committee. She noted following the presentation to Council, she attended a meeting which was very productive.

She noted with the work being carried out on the Cabin Construction Program and green spaces, and the fact that the park is looking at managing cabins, it may be a good opportunity for Council to appoint someone to participate on the committee.

Councillor Stevenson agreed that the group made a presentation to Council requesting a Council or staff representative. However, the letter received from the Government of Nunavut is requesting the nomination of an individual who demonstrates an interest in the park.

Ms. Elgersma explained that the City received an e-mail specifically inviting a nomination from the City. The City designate is not part of an official function or position on the committee. She felt appointing someone from the City would be beneficial.

Mayor Bell felt the letter was generic and sent to many stakeholders.

During a discussion, Councillors felt it was beneficial for a councillor or staff to be nominated to the committee.

Motion #20-335

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson

Seconded by: Councillor Nattaq

Council nominates Councillor Awa to the Iqaluit Community Joint Planning and Management Committee of the Sylvia Grinnell and Qaummaarviit Territorial Park.

Unanimously Carried

c) Vacant Council Seat – Verbal

Mayor Bell advised that staff obtained information from Elections Nunavut regarding what Council is able to do pertaining to the vacant Council seat.

Mayor Bell explained that by-elections are no longer permitted, therefore, the vacant Council seat can be filled by two options:

1. Choosing from the list of unsuccessful candidates in the previous Council election in order of ranking.
2. Put out a public call for interest and choose an eligible candidate to appoint to Council.

During a discussion, several councillors felt the seat should be filled by the person with the next highest number of votes from the previous election.

Mayor Bell commented that prior to the meeting, he spoke with the person who had the next highest number of votes from the previous election and he is interested in filling the vacant seat.

Motion #20-336

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik

Seconded by: Councillor Awa

Council appoints John Fawcett to fill the vacant Council seat effective October 28, 2020.

Unanimously Carried

Councillor Sheppard asked if Mr. Fawcett's accounts are up-to-date and he meets the eligibility to be a City councillor.

Mayor Bell advised that this was not confirmed, but the appointment would be contingent upon meeting all the eligibility requirements.

d) Appointment of Vice Chair – Recreation Committee

Mayor Bell noted that with the resignation of Ms. Lucassie, the appointment of a vice chair for the Recreation Committee is required.

During the discussion, it was agreed not to make the appointment until the new Council member is present.

e) Appointment of Chair – Grievance Committee

It was also agreed not to appoint a chair for the Grievance Committee until the new Council member is present.

f) Request for Decision – Housing Task Force Consultant Work

Geoff Byrne, Economic Development Officer, presented a Request for Decision to search for funding up to \$100,000 to provide consultant work for the Mayor's Task Force on Affordable Housing.

Motion #20-337

Moved by: Councillor Sheppard

Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council supports the funding application for consultant work on the Mayor's Task Force on Affordable Housing. The balance will be covered by the General Fund – City of Iqaluit.

Unanimously Carried

Councillor Akumalik asked when the Mayor's Task Force on Affordable Housing will be completed.

Mayor Bell advised that the final report will be presented in June 2021.

Deputy Mayor Brewster commented that some of the sub-committees will make recommendations prior to the final report. She noted that the final report will include a list of recommendations and actions.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Municipal Enforcement Department Monthly Report – July 1 to September 30, 2020

Rod Mugford, Municipal Enforcement Chief, reviewed the Quarterly Statistical Report from July 1 to September 30, 2020. He noted that during the period, there were 177 violation tickets issued, totalling \$27,975 in fines.

The following questions were raised and were answered by Mr. Mugford:

- What are Municipal Enforcement hours of operation?
 - There are three staff and one trainee. Based on the current staffing levels, the department conducts work from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 - With additional staffing, service could be provided from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. and also include on-call service.
- Mayor Bell noted that during budget deliberations, a staffing proposal will be presented.
- What is the full staffing level?
 - There are different formulas used to determine the number of enforcement officers.
 - Some are based on a ratio of officers to population.
 - Some are based on level of service.
- Are records kept on after hours calls for service?
 - Dispatch keeps records, but the audio is more accurate.
 - Any urgent calls for service are referred to the department on the next business day.
 - On average, there are three to seven calls on weekends and two to three calls during the weeknights.
- Mayor Bell commented that residents know when Municipal Enforcement provides service, so some will not call for service when it is needed. There is also the fact that residents do illegal things during that time, as they know they will not get caught.
- How is the department doing with equipment, including clothing?
 - There is an equipment replacement plan in place.
 - All staff now have uniforms.
 - There is new equipment.
 - Preventive maintenance is being carried out.
 - A plan is needed to ensure that appropriate tools and equipment are maintained in order to provide service.
 - Health and safety of staff must be maintained.

- Can the hours of operation be changed to reflect when calls for service are needed? For example, if there are no calls for service from 9:00 to noon, can the hours of operation be changed to start at noon?
 - Ms. Elgersma explained that Municipal Enforcement staff have been collecting data from Dispatch to determine when calls for service are needed.
 - Ms. Elgersma advised that there is administrative work that has to be completed during the day.
 - Attending court in the mornings.
 - Managing risk management claims investigations.

b) Planning and Development Committee of the Whole Report – October 20, 2020

Motion #20-338

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council does not approve Development Permit DP 20-043 to Kudlik Construction Ltd. for the installation of a “fold away” temporary structure at the North 40 Quarry.

Unanimously Carried

Motion #20-339

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Brewster

Council directs staff to conduct background research, consultation, and implementation of the Cabin Construction Program in accordance with the action plan outlined.

Unanimously Carried

c) Cemetery Advisory Committee Report – October 21, 2020

Councillor Akumalik provided the following report from the Cemetery Advisory Committee:

- Approved minutes will be posted on the City’s website.
- Received an update on the Cemetery Remediation Project.
- Received an update on the funeral fees and charges.
- Engaging partners to support funeral expenses.
- Work continues to find an elder representative.
- Correspondence was shared from the CBC Radio call-in show regarding the Apex Cemetery.

Motion #20-340

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council directs Administration to draft a letter regarding a cost sharing model to send to potential partners – Government of Canada, Government of Nunavut and Inuit organizations.

Unanimously Carried

11. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) **Nunavut Research Institute Application – “Young Canadians in a Wireless World (YCWW) Phase IV”**

Motion #20-341

Moved by: Councillor Sheppard
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Brewster

Nunavut Research Institute Application – “Young Canadians in a Wireless World (YCWW) Phase IV”, research by Kara Brisson-Boivin.

Unanimously Carried

12. IN CAMERA SESSION

- (1) as per Section 22 (2) (a) CTV Act and By-law 526 Section 67
- Legal

Motion #20-342

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

Council goes In Camera at 7:18 p.m.

Unanimously Carried

Motion #20-343

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Councillor Sheppard

Council returns to Regular Session at 7:28 p.m.

Unanimously Carried

Motion #20-344

Moved by: Councillor Sheppard
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council awards 2020-RFP-0068 Reheat Stations Upgrades to EXP Services Inc. in the amount of \$127,140 plus GST.

Unanimously Carried

13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion #20-345

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council adjourns at 7:29 p.m.

Unanimously Carried



Kenny Bell
Mayor

Tammy Ernst-Doiron
City Clerk

Approved by City Council on the 10th day of November 2020.

