

**CITY OF IQALUIT
CITY COUNCIL MEETING #04
February 12, 2013 at 6:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

PRESENT FROM COUNCIL

Mayor John Graham
Deputy Mayor Mary Wilman
Councillor Terry Dobbin
Councillor Simon Nattaq
Councillor Kenneth Bell
Councillor Romeyn Stevenson (participated via teleconference)

ABSENT

Councillor Jimmy Kilabuk
Councillor Joanasie Akumalik
Councillor Mark Morrissey

PRESENT FROM ADMINISTRATION

John Mabberi-Mudonyi, Senior Director, Corporate Services
Tracy Cooke, City Clerk
Amy Elgersma, Director, Recreation
Valerie Collin, Recorder
Jeanie Eeseemailee, Senior Interpreter/Translator
Rachel Ootoova, Senior Interpreter/Translator

PRAYER

Councillor Nattaq opened the meeting with a prayer at 6:10pm.

SWEARING IN

None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion #13-30

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Wilman
Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That the agenda be adopted as presented.

Unanimously Carried

1. **MINUTES**

None

2. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

None

3. **DELEGATIONS**

- a) Aboriginal Peoples Television Network
Mr. Skye Bridges and Ms. Lisa Squire

Mr. Skye Bridges and Ms. Lisa Squire made provided Council with a point presentation regarding the feasible alternatives to the execution of Aboriginal Day Live and Celebrations 2013. The presentation included an overview of the history of Aboriginal Peoples Television Network, the work completed to date in preparation for the 2013 celebrations, their goals for the upcoming event as well as artists that will be performing. They concluded their presentation by requesting use of the Arctic Winter Games Complex from June 17th to 23rd, 2013 noting that the rental fee would be paid and assistance could be provided by their crew to remove and re-install the turf system.

4. **AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

None

5. **STATEMENTS**

Councillor Bell stated that he and his wife welcomed their new child on Saturday and thanked his wife.

Deputy Mayor Wilman asked that Administration write a letter to the Government of Nunavut requesting that the *Cities, Towns and Villages Act* be revised and amended to be directed towards Nunavut as it was created in 1988 prior to the creation of Nunavut.

She expressed her concerns regarding the high numbers of incidents of violence against women that has taken place during the past few months and believed that Council needed to do its best to stop it; a zero tolerance for violence against women should be passed by Council.

Councillor Nattaq noted that the search and rescue committee has had difficult search and rescues during the past couple of months and individuals were debriefed after a recent search and rescue when two bodies were found. The

search and rescue committee is comprised of volunteers only and they should be acknowledged and thanked for their hard work and dedication; he suggested that a letter be sent on behalf of Council.

Councillor Dobbin suggested that Administration look into broadcasting council meetings to involve the public and permit those who cannot attend to also be kept up to date on city business. He noted that the city will be undertaking the biggest project yet with the development of the new aquatic centre and it is important that residents are aware of what the city is doing. He also suggested that a five to ten minute question session be added to the agenda to allow residents to express their thoughts or concerns during council meetings and that council meeting agendas be posted on the city's website forty eight (48) hours prior to meetings.

Councillor Stevenson agreed with Councillor Nattaq's comments regarding the search and rescue committee and also believed that they should acknowledge and thanked. He suggested that Administration explore the option of broadcasting meetings and felt that it was important for residents to be updated on city business. He noted that the city recently hosted a soccer tournament and that it was very successful.

6. DEFERRED BUSINESS AND TABLED ITEMS

None

7. BYLAWS

a) First Reading of By-law (s)

- a) 2013 Mill Rate By-law
John Mabberi-Mudonyi, Senior Director, Corporate Services

John Mabberi-Mudonyi, Senior Director of Corporate Services, presented the 2013 Mill Rate By-law and noted that an increase of one point five (1.5) mil is to be applied for each property classification as per the 2013 budget deliberations.

Motion #13-31

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Wilman

That First Reading of 2013 Mill Rate By-law be approved.

For – Dobbin, Nattaq, Stevenson, Wilman
Against - Bell
Carried

- b) Water and Sewer Services By-law Amendment
John Mabberi-Mudonyi, Senior Director, Corporate Services

John Mabberi-Mudonyi presented an amendment to the Water and Sewer Services By-law No. 722; a two percent (2%) decrease is to be applied to the Residential Water Rate Subsidy and a two percent (2%) increase is to be applied to all other classifications as per the 2013 budget deliberations.

Motion #13-32

Moved by: Councillor Dobbin
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Wilman

That First Reading of Water and Sewer Services By-law Amendment be approved.

For – Dobbin, Nattaq, Stevenson, Wilman
Against - Bell
Carried

b) Second Reading of By-law (s)

- a) 2013 Mill Rate By-law
John Mabberi-Mudonyi, Senior Director, Corporate Services

Motion #13-33

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Councillor Dobbin

That Second Reading of 2013 Mill Rate By-law be approved.

For – Dobbin, Nattaq, Stevenson, Wilman
Against - Bell
Carried

- b) Water and Sewer Services By-law Amendment
John Mabberi-Mudonyi, Senior Director, Corporate Services

Motion #13-34

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Wilman
Seconded by: Councillor Dobbin

That Second Reading of Water and Sewer Services By-law Amendment be approved.

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

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

None

8. OLD BUSINESS

None

9. NEW BUSINESS

a) Matters Arising from Delegations

i) Aboriginal Peoples Television Network

Deputy Mayor Wilman thanked Mr. Bridges and Ms. Squire for their presentation and expressed her support for the event.

Councillor Stevenson noted that he is very supportive of the celebrations and event planned for 2013 but not supportive of the request to use the Arctic Winter Games Complex for the event. He noted that many other groups and organizations often request to use the facility for non-recreational purposes; this is not what the facility is meant to be used for and it has been Council's practice to deny any requests for use of the Arctic Winter Games Complex. He noted that he will be very disappointed if Council approves this request. Although a short period of time is being requested by the Aboriginal Peoples Television Network, the turf is very much used at the end of school year by many groups.

Councillor Dobbin stated that he compared the advantages and disadvantages of hosting the event at the Arctic Winter Games Complex and noted that there are significantly more advantages than disadvantages. He expressed his support for the request.

Councillor Nattaq noted that schools have gymnasiums which can be used for soccer and that the short period of time used for the event would not negatively affect the soccer program. He expressed his support for the request.

Councillor Bell agreed with Councillor Nattaq's comments and noted that the gymnasiums were used for soccer programs in past years, prior to the city purchasing the turf system.

Councillor Stevenson noted that all benefits listed by Councillor Dobbin would remain even if the Arctic Winter Games Complex is not used for this event. It is often noted that Council changes their decisions and practices and this will certainly increase if Council approves the request. He noted that the sound quality at the facility is not good and that people may agree if the request to use the facility is approved.

Motion #13-35

Moved by: Councillor Bell

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Wilman

That the Aboriginal Peoples Television Network request be approved and that the Department of Recreation utilize the Aboriginal Peoples Television Network staff for assistance in the removal and installation of the turf.

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

- b) Request for Decision – Aquatic Centre Building Committee
Amy Elgersma, Director, Recreation

Amy Elgersma, Director of Recreation, believed it was important that key representatives from staff and Council played an active role in the building process as the City of Iqaluit moves ahead with the design and construction of the aquatic centre. The project management team hired to manage the project recommended that a building committee be created to work with the project managers and assist in the process; this committee would be similar to other city standing committees and would include the Mayor, chairperson of the Recreation Committee, Chief Administrative Officer, the Directors of Recreation and Planning and Development as well as the designated Project Manager who will act as the secretary for the committee and others city directors to assist as needed.

Councillor Bell stated that he would like this to be a committee of the whole and that he would not support the creation of the committee otherwise.

Deputy Mayor Wilman agreed with Councillor Bell and believed that Council needed to be fully involved in this process.

Councillor Stevenson believed that committees of the whole were specific and asked for clarification.

Councillor Dobbin stated that he researched the management team who has been hired for this project and believed that they were very capable of managing

this project. He noted that this will be their first northern project and suggested that an individual or organization with experience in northern development be involved on the committee.

Amy stated that the Government of Nunavut offered to have their project manager review the work of the committee and management team to ensure that it is appropriate for the north.

Councillor Dobbin agreed with Amy and suggested that this be seriously considered.

Councillor Bell noted that the *Cities, Towns and Villages Act* does not speak to committees of the whole being specific and states that: "A Council may, by by-law, establish a board or commission to administer all or part of one or more programs and services within the jurisdiction of the municipal corporation". He believed that Council had the authority to pass a by-law to do so and noted that he will only support the establishment of this committee if it is a committee of the whole.

Motion #13-36

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Councillor Dobbin

That an Aquatic Centre Building Committee be formed to act in an advisory capacity to Council.

**For – Stevenson
Against – Dobbin, Nattaq, Wilman, Bell
DEFEATED**

Motion #13-37

Moved by: Councillor Bell
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Wilman

That the Aquatic Centre Building Committee request be referred back to staff for more information.

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

c) 2013 FCM Annual Conference and Tradeshow

Administration noted that the 2013 Federation of Canadian Municipalities Annual Conference and Trade Show will be held from May 31st to June 3rd, 2013 in Vancouver. Council must identify who will be attending with Mayor Graham.

10. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None

11. **CORRESPONDENCE**

There were four correspondence items for Council's information.

12. **IN CAMERA SESSION**

None

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion #13-38

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Wilman

Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That the meeting be adjourned at 7:30pm.

Unanimously Carried

John Graham
Mayor

John Mabberi-Mudonyi
Senior Director, Corporate Services

Approved by City Council on the **26** day of **March**, 2013, AD.