

**CITY OF IQALUIT  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING #04  
February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 6:00 PM  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**PRESENT FROM COUNCIL**

Deputy Mayor Mary Wilman  
Councillor Simon Nattaq  
Councillor Kenneth Bell  
Councillor Romeyn Stevenson  
Councillor Noah Papatsie  
Councillor Terry Dobbin  
Councillor Joanasie Akumalik  
Councillor Mark Morrissey

**ABSENT**

Mayor John Graham

**PRESENT FROM ADMINISTRATION**

John Mabberi-Mudonyi, A/Chief Administrative Officer  
Tracy Cooke, City Clerk  
Eva Michael, Communications Officer  
Valerie Collin, Recorder  
Jeanie Eeseemailee, Senior Interpreter/Translator

**PRAYER**

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

**SWEARING IN**

None

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Motion #14-25**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson  
Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Council adopt the agenda as presented.

**Unanimously Carried**

1. **MINUTES**

- a) Special City Council Meeting #23 – November 11, 2013

**Motion #14-26**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson  
Seconded by: Councillor Papatsie

That Special City Council Meeting Minutes #23 dated November 11, 2013 be approved.

**Unanimously Carried**

2. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

None

3. **DELEGATIONS**

None

4. **AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

None

5. **STATEMENTS**

Councillor Nattaq stated that elected officials are often approached by residents who express their concerns and ask that they be shared with Council. The city recently raised the rainbow flag in support of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender individuals; this matter has never been discussed between Councillors and many residents have expressed their concern with the raising of the flag. He stated that this pride and diversity is not part of the Inuit culture and many residents have voiced their concerns as per a recent radio announcement.

He stated that the city should write a letter to the federal government requesting that end of life vehicles be removed as well as all other metals that are buried in the ground and to address possible contamination issues as per discussions during his meetings with Qikiqtaaluk Corporation.

He stated that after leaving City Hall from the Finance Committee of the Whole meeting on January 22, 2014, he fell on the front stairs and injured his knees. He will now need to be sent to Ottawa to have his prosthetic knee replaced. He suggested that the landing at the front entrance of City Hall be addressed to prevent future accidents.

Councillor Stevenson believed that this would be Councillor Morrissey's last Council meeting and thanked him for his dedicated service to the City. He noted that he will be travelling next week for the Arctic Winter Games and will not be in attendance during the Planning and Development Committee of the Whole meeting scheduled for February 18, 2014.

He congratulated the two speed skaters from the Iqaluit Speed Skating Club, Matt Scooter and Aidan Stanley who won the gold medals during the Ontario Wide Meet in Kingston, ON.

He stated that he was not available to attend the raising of the rainbow flag on February 10<sup>th</sup> but would have been very happy to attend.

Councillor Bell congratulated and thanked Mr. John Mabberi-Mudonyi, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, for approving and supporting the raising of the rainbow flag. He stated that he approached Mr. Mabberi-Mudonyi asking permission to raise the flag as the city did not have a policy on the raising of flags. He believed that the community was very appreciative of the gesture. Gays and lesbians are found in every culture and it should be supported.

He stated that he would like to revisit the Chief Administrative Officer's contract due to a number of matters that have been brought to his attention in the past weeks.

He also thanked Councillor Morrissey for his dedicated service to the community and Council and believed that he would be greatly missed.

Councillor Akumalik apologized for being absent from the past few meetings and noted that he will also be absent next week. He also thanked Councillor Morrissey for his dedicated service to the community and the city and wished him and his family all the best in their future endeavors.

Councillor Morrissey thanked Council as well as city staff and the community for the opportunity to serve Iqaluit. He believed that Council had accomplished many important matters during his term and that they would continue to do so. Iqaluit feels like home to him and his family.

Councillor Dobbin stated that a resident expressed their concern with the fact that many individuals use the road where the Green Row and Brown Row housing units are located to avoid traffic during lunch hour as well as after regular work hours. Nakasuk School is located across from these housing units and there are often many children playing in this area; he suggested that Municipal Enforcement increase their patrols in this area and that a speed bump be installed to ensure that speed limits are respected as well as the stop signs located on this street.

Councillor Papatsie also thanked Councillor Morrissey for his dedicated service to the community and stated that he really enjoyed working with him. He thanked Administration for also providing the meeting materials to him in advance; this provides him the opportunity to review the documents and be properly informed prior to the meetings.

Deputy Mayor Wilman also thanked Councillor Morrissey for his dedicated service and wished him all the best in his future endeavors. She agreed with Councillor Dobbin and believed that Municipal Enforcement needed to increase their patrols on the road behind Nakasuk School.

**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)**

None

**8. OLD BUSINESS**

None

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

**a) Appointment of Members at Large – Economic Development Committee**

**Motion #14-27**

Moved by: Councillor Morrissey

Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Paul Fraser, Elizabeth Kingston and Kuthula Matsazi be appointed as Members at Large to the Economic Development Committee.

**Unanimously Carried**

b) 2014 FCM Participants

Administration noted that the early-bird registrations for the 2014 Federation of Canadian Municipalities Annual Trade Show and Conference is fast approaching and Council will need to identify the Council members who are to attend the conference. The conference will be held in Niagara Falls, Ontario from May 30<sup>th</sup> to June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014.

**10. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

a) Finance Committee of the Whole Report No. 01  
Councillor Stevenson, Chairperson

i) 2014 Mill Rate  
Councillor Stevenson, Chairperson

Councillor Bell expressed his concern with the proposed increase to the mill rate considering that the city is transferring a significant amount of money to reserve funds. He believed that the updated budget submissions should be reviewed prior to the approval of the proposed increases as well as the 2014 budget to ensure that the documents are accurate. He believed that there are additions to the updated budget submissions that the committee did not discuss.

Councillor Stevenson stated that the transfer to reserve funds are necessary in order for the city to properly function and move forward on important future projects and purchases that have been identified by staff. He agreed with Councillor Bell that amended documents have been provided based on changes made to the budget submission during their budget deliberations and noted that all changes are highlighted in red; if Council feels that the approval of the budget should wait until the next Council meeting, he would support them.

Councillor Papatsie agreed with Councillor Bell that the increase to the mill rate could be decreased considering the amount of money being transferred to reserve funds but also understood that it was important for the city to transfer funds to reserves for future purposes. He suggested that the amended documents be reviewed prior to the budget being approved.

Councillor Dobbin stated that he was not aware of changes to be made to the budget submission and believed that this approval was simply to permit the city to proceed with their operation. He believed that this approval was simply a "rubber stamp" and stated that if changes were made, Council should review the changes prior to approving the budget submission.

**Motion #14-28**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson  
Seconded by: Councillor Dobbin

That Council approve a Mill Rate increase of one point five (1.5) Mill for all classifications.

**For – Stevenson, Morrissey  
Against – Papatsie, Dobbin, Nattaq, Bell  
Abstained – Akumalik  
DEFEATED**

**Councillor Akumalik abstained to the motion as he was not in attendance during all budget deliberation meetings.**

**Motion #14-29**

Moved by: Councillor Morrissey  
Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

That Council approve a fourteen (14) day budget extension for the 2014 budget submission.

**Unanimously Carried**

- b) Engineering and Public Works Committee of the Whole Report No. 01  
Councillor Nattaq, Co-Chair
- i) Contracted Engineering Services (EPW14-02)  
Councillor Nattaq, Co-Chair

**Motion #14-30**

Moved by: Councillor Nattaq  
Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Council approve a tender call be released as soon as possible for engineering services for a one year period.

**Unanimously Carried**

- ii) GN Engineering Services (EPW14-03)

Councillor Nattaq, Co-Chair

**Motion #14-31**

Moved by: Councillor Nattaq  
Seconded by: Councillor Morrissey

That Council direct Administration to explore the option of seconding the Government of Nunavut as an alternate option for engineering staff.  
**For – Papatsie, Akumalik, Nattaq, Stevenson, Bell, Morrissey**  
**Against – Dobbin**  
**Carried**

**11. CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**12. IN CAMERA SESSION**

None

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion #14-32**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson  
Seconded by: Councillor Morrissey

That Council adjourn at 7:05pm.  
**Unanimously Carried**

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Mary Wilman  
Deputy Mayor

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John Mabberi-Mudonyi  
A/Chief Administrative Officer

Approved by City Council on the **12** day of **August**, 2014, AD.