

**CITY OF IQALUIT  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING #07  
March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 6:00 PM  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**PRESENT FROM COUNCIL**

Mayor John Graham (via teleconference)  
Deputy Mayor Mary Wilman  
Councillor Kenneth Bell (via teleconference)  
Councillor Romeyn Stevenson  
Councillor Noah Papatsie  
Councillor Terry Dobbin  
Councillor Joanasie Akumalik  
Councillor Stephen Mansell

**ABSENT**

Councillor Simon Nattaq

**PRESENT FROM ADMINISTRATION**

John Hussey, Chief Administrative Officer  
Tracy Cooke, City Clerk  
Geneva Chislett, Controller  
Valerie Collin, Recorder  
Jeanie Eeseemailee, Senior Interpreter/Translator

**PRAYER**

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

**SWEARING IN**

None

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Motion #14-62**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson  
Seconded by: Councillor Mansell

That the agenda be adopted as amended:

Delete:       Item 9 (c) – Committee Vacancies

**Unanimously Carried**

1. MINUTES

a) City Council Meeting Minutes #22 – October 22, 2013

Deputy Mayor Wilman noted that Mrs. Armstrong was a delegate during this meeting and expressed several concerns regarding the condition of her neighborhood. She stated that she would like to receive an update on the concerns discussed and if the city will be meeting with the Nunavut Housing Corporation regarding the housing matters of that neighborhood.

Councillor Stevenson agreed with Deputy Mayor Wilman that Council should receive an update as to when they will be meeting with the Nunavut Housing Corporation.

He noted that the minutes also indicate that speed bumps should not be higher than three to six metres and believed that this was a typo and should reflect three to six inches.

Motion #14-63

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik  
Seconded by: Councillor Papatsie

That City Council Meeting Minutes #22 dated October 22, 2013 be approved.  
**For – Papatsie, Dobbin, Akumalik, Stevenson, Graham, Bell**  
**Abstained - Mansell**  
**Carried**  
**Councillor Mansell abstained from the motion as he was not in attendance.**

b) City Council Meeting Minutes #25 – November 26, 2013

Motion #14-64

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson  
Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

That City Council Meeting Minutes #25 dated November 26, 2013 be approved.  
**For – Papatsie, Dobbin, Akumalik, Stevenson, Graham, Bell**  
**Abstained - Mansell**  
**Carried**  
**Councillor Mansell abstained from the motion as he was not in attendance.**

c) City Council Meeting Minutes #26 – December 10, 2013

**Motion #14-65**

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik  
Seconded by: Councillor Papatsie

That City Council Meeting Minutes #26 dated December 10, 2013 be approved.  
**For – Papatsie, Dobbin, Akumalik, Stevenson, Graham, Bell**  
**Abstained - Mansell**  
**Carried**  
Councillor Mansell abstained from the motion as he was not in attendance.

2. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

None

3. **DELEGATIONS**

- a) Jamesee Moulton  
Community Clean-Up Committee

The delegate was not in attendance.

4. **AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

None

5. **STATEMENTS**

Councillor Akumalik welcomed Councillor Mansell to Council. He stated that he provided a short report on his attendance at the conference held in Edmonton, AB relating to homelessness issues and apologized for not yet having a report submitted to Council with further information; this will be provided to Council in the near future.

He stated that a long time Iqaluit resident has been missing for a few days who was homeless; these individuals are hungry and cold and often very tired as they walk throughout the community all day as they have nowhere to go. He believed that Council needed to address this issue as soon as possible and not wait until a serious incident occurs, such as this one. The men's shelter is very helpful to those who are homeless but also have limited space available. Several searches for the individual have been conducted and will continue in hopes that the individual will be found. During the Search and Rescue Committee's recent search for the individual, they found that many of the abandoned shacks on the beach area are being used by homeless individuals; they found chairs, blankets,

couches and any other things in and around the shacks. The areas are kept clean and organized but are without electricity, heat or water. He believed that it would be very difficult for individuals to survive in these conditions during the winter months but they survive. The city should invite the men's shelter for a meeting and have a community feast during their meeting for the men who live at the shelter.

He noted that a film crew recently filmed at the cemetery; this affected many residents of the community as the individuals from the film crew walked all over graves and disturbed the area. This concern was expressed to city staff and the response was that the film crew had not walked over graves and had not disturbed the area; he took pictures and has evidence that individuals walked on the graves as there are footprints in the snow. He believed that this behavior was very disrespectful and significant damage could have occurred. He suggested that the site be inspected further during the summer months to ensure that no damage was done to graves and that Council create a policy for such matters.

He stated that his thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends of the individual who passed away this week.

Councillor Papatsie also welcomed to Councillor Mansell and noted that he looks forward to working with him. He agreed with Councillor Akumalik that homelessness was a serious issue in Iqaluit and that it should be addressed as soon as possible.

Councillor Dobbin welcomed Councillor Mansell to Council and congratulated him on his appointment. He noted that there is a very special group home in Iqaluit that has been operating since the 1980s but will be closing as of May 15, 2014 and will be converted to a home for troubled youth. He has been working at the group home for fourteen (14) years and believed that this decision by the Department of Family Services was unacceptable; all children currently residing in the home will be moved into families, many of which are south. The children will be separated from their friends and family members in Iqaluit and this is very sad. He noted that the Minister's reason for closing the group home and relocating the children is because they do not want the children to grow up in an institution but in a home with a family; he believed that the intention was honorable but that the group home is actually like a home with a loving couple who has worked there for many years as well as staff who care deeply for them. The children are much happier in the group home than they would be if in a regular home in Iqaluit, which are often over crowded. He thanked Ministers Pat Agnakak and George Hicks for listening and speaking on behalf of the children during the recent announcement and hopes that the upcoming change will be positive for the children of the group home.

Councillor Mansell thanked Council for his appointment and stated that he is very pleased to be part of Council once again. He stated that he sincerely apologizes

to the family who recently lost a loved one and encouraged the city to provide any affected staff the assistance and support they may need. He noted that Ben Paudluq is still missing and the Search and Rescue committee are seeking volunteers to assist with the search. They are asking everyone to check their properties, sheds or anything else in the area to see if he may be there; the city should also check all city properties and ask the water and sewer truck drivers to keep an eye out for him; perhaps a picture could be distributed to all city staff.

Mayor Graham stated that he also sends his condolences to the family who lost a loved one and stated that his thoughts and prayers are with them. He also sends his thoughts for the missing individual and hopes that he will soon be found. He welcomed Councillor Mansell to Council.

Councillor Bell also welcomed Councillor Mansell to Council and stated that he looks forward to working with him. He sends his condolences to the family experiencing the loss of a loved one and noted that the individual was a good friend of his family for many years and will be missed. He stated that he would also like to address the homelessness issue as soon as possible as they approved a recent homeless study and it needs to move forward.

Deputy Mayor Wilman noted that the Iqaluit Fire Department responded to a fire at the Iqaluit landfill earlier in the day and the firefighters have successfully contained the fire and remain on site to address hot spots. The Public Works Department is also assisting with the delivery of water and support as required.

6. **DEFERRED BUSINESS AND TABLED ITEMS**

None

7. **BYLAWS**

a) **First Reading of By-law (s)**

- i) Water and Sewer Services By-law Amendment  
Geneva Chislett, Controller

**Motion #14-66**

Moved by: Councillor Dobbin  
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

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

**Unanimously Carried**

- ii) Solid Waste By-law Amendment  
Geneva Chislett, Controller

**Motion #14-67**

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik  
Seconded by: Councillor Papatsie

That First Reading of Solid Waste By-law Amendment be approved.  
**Unanimously Carried**

- iii) 2014 Mill Rate By-law  
Geneva Chislett, Controller

**Motion #14-68**

Moved by: Councillor Bell  
Seconded by: Councillor Papatsie

That First Reading of 2014 Mill Rate By-law be approved.  
**Unanimously Carried**

**b) Second Reading of By-law (s)**

- i) Water and Sewer Services By-law Amendment No. 765  
Geneva Chislett, Controller

**Motion #14-69**

Moved by: Mayor Graham  
Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Second Reading of Water and Sewer Services By-law Amendment No. 765  
be approved.  
**Unanimously Carried**

- ii) Solid Waste By-law Amendment No. 766  
Geneva Chislett, Controller

**Motion #14-70**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson  
Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik



That Second Reading of Solid Waste By-law Amendment No. 766 be approved.  
**Unanimously Carried**

- iii) 2014 Mill Rate By-law No. 767  
Geneva Chislett, Controller

**Motion #14-71**

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik  
Seconded by: Councillor Dobbin

That Second Reading of 2014 Mill Rate By-law No. 767 be approved.  
**Unanimously Carried**

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

None

8. **OLD BUSINESS**

None

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

- b) Appointment of Members at Large – Niksiit Committee  
Councillor Akumalik, Co-Chairperson

**Motion #14-72**

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik  
Seconded by: Councillor Mansell

That Elizabeth Kingston, Jodi Durdle-Awa and Natalie Chafe-Yuan be appointed as Members at Large on the Niksiit Committee.  
**Unanimously Carried**

10. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None

11. **CORRESPONDENCE**

- c) Application: "Exploring the Leadership Practices of Principals Who Promote the Educational Success of First Nations, Metis, and Inuit Students"

**Motion #14-73**

Moved by: Councillor Mansell  
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

That the NRI application "Exploring the Leadership Practices of Principals Who Promote the Educational Success of First Nations, Metis, and Inuit Students" be approved.

**For – Papatsie, Dobbin, Stevenson, Bell, Graham, Mansell  
Against - Akumalik  
Carried**

12. **IN CAMERA SESSION**

(1) In Camera item was to be discussed.

- Legal – Award of Request for Proposal

**Motion #14-74**

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik  
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council goes In Camera at 6:50pm. **Unanimously Carried**

**Motion #14-75**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson  
Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

Council returns to Regular Session at 7:00pm. **Unanimously Carried**

**Motion #14-76**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson  
Seconded by: Councillor Dobbin



That Council award the janitorial services contract to C & K Services Ltd in the amount of seventy two thousand eight hundred (\$72,800.00), plus GST, for a period of one year to commence April 1, 2014 with the option to extend the contract for a two year period.

**Unanimously Carried**

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion #14-77**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson  
Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

That Council adjourn at 7:05pm.

**Unanimously Carried**



Mary Wilman  
Deputy Mayor

  
John Hussey  
Chief Administrative Officer

Approved by City Council on the 14 day of October, 2014, AD.