

**CITY OF IQALUIT
CITY COUNCIL MEETING #08
April 26, 2016 at 6:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBER**

PRESENT FROM COUNCIL

Deputy Mayor Romeyn Stevenson
Councillor Megan Pizzo-Lyall (via teleconference)
Councillor Terry Dobbin
Councillor Jason Rochon
Councillor Joanasie Akumalik
Councillor Gideonie Joamie
Councillor Kuthula Matshazi
Councillor Simon Nattaq

ABSENT

Mayor Madeleine Redfern
Muhamud Hassan, Chief Administrative Officer

PRESENT FROM ADMINISTRATION

John Mabberi-Mudonyi, A/Chief Administrative Officer
Matthew Hamp, Director, Public Works and Engineering
Melodie Simard, Director, Planning and Development
Kevin Sloboda, Chief Municipal Enforcement Officer
Victoria Embree, Executive Assistant
Jeanie Eeseemailee, Senior Interpreter/Translator
Eva Michael, Communications Officer

PRAYER

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

SWEARING IN

None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion #16-69

Moved by: Councillor Rochon
Seconded by: Councillor Pizzo-Lyall

That the agenda is adopted as amended:

Add: 1 In Camera Item (Legal)

Change order of business to reflect New Business conducted before Deferred and Tabled Items.

Unanimously Carried

1. MINUTES

None

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None

3. DELEGATIONS

- a) Kugluktuk Grizzlies movie
Alethea Arnaquq-Baril

The delegation noted that they are in attendance again as they have heard that there may be additional questions for them regarding the film project.

Councillor Nattaq noted that there is lots of snow at the cemetery and that people are travelling over and near the graves and some signs have also been damaged or falling over.

The delegation advised that they haven't been filming yet so any activity there is perhaps by the public. She noted that their plan is to design a fake grave closer to the water and the cameras would be on the other side of the graveyard so there will be no foot or skidoo traffic through the cemetery.

Councillor Dobbin asked if the producers would be in favor of the city having a monitor to monitor the activities and to ensure that no graves would be disturbed and would the producers be willing to cover the cost of the monitor.

The delegation responded that they would be in favor of both but hope to have an answer tonight either way as if the support is not given, they will have to design sets, et cetera.

Deputy Mayor Stevenson advised that the matter is further on the agenda for discussion and a decision.

4. AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

None

5. STATEMENTS

Councillor Dobbin asked that the damaged posts be replaced or removed from the downtown core area. He asked if they are providing safety to residents or merely being a roadside hazard. He noted that Council passed a motion in 2013 to remove 40% of the posts and boulders that either interferes with City equipment and having no impact on public safety. To date, it appears that no posts or boulders have been removed.

He offered best wishes to James Dorrington for a speedy recover; he is recovering in an Ottawa hospital after a workplace accident.

Councillor Joamie offered his best wishes to James Dorrington and is shocked that he found this information out on Twitter; he would appreciate receiving an update on the state of repairs of city vehicles and equipment.

Councillor Pizzo-Lyall's member statement was inaudible.

9. NEW BUSINESS

a) Committee Resignation Councillor Dobbin

Councillor Dobbin advised that he is resigning as Chairperson of the Grievance Committee effective April 26, 2016. The lack of activity over the years of the committee has caused skepticism about the overall effectiveness of the committee.

b) Filming within the City of Iqaluit

Deputy Mayor Stevenson stated that he believes the film industry in town is great for business development but feels that the city is not yet prepared for this. There is no permitting process for filming or for using city facilities, property, et cetera. Fortunately, groups have been coming and seeking Council permission or support for their projects but in actuality the City has no means or processes in place to deny anyone usage of anything whether it's a public space or city property. It is important that some form of permitting be developed as soon as possible to not only allow film production but also encouraging it.

Councillor Nattaq stated that council needs to be informed if people are filming inside city boundaries; by-laws can be created for this purpose. It would be a good idea if this company filmed near the beach area if they need to film a cemetery scene. If there is snow removal needed, the City could do this for a fee.

Councillor Dobbin noted that the city may be able to borrow some policies and procedures from the Nunavut Film Corporation. The film industry is a viable one, there

have been 3 in the last year bringing money into Iqaluit; 98.5% of the money coming into Iqaluit is government transfers.

Councillor Joamie agreed that a permitting process is needed. It would be beneficial as companies wouldn't have to continuously come to council seeking support or permission. He noted that filming has gone on in this community for many, many years.

Councillor Pizzo-Lyall stated that she supports the filming as long as the graveyard is not utilized.

Motion #16-70

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik

Seconded by: Councillor Joamie

Council supports the Grizzlies filming outside the old municipal cemetery and not to include entering the cemetery. A city staff member is to be appointed as a monitor to be paid for by the Grizzlies film crew. This is providing a written outline of the steps they will follow is submitted to the city for the designated city monitor's review.

Unanimously Carried

c) Waterless Wednesdays
Councillor Akumalik

Councillor Akumalik noted that the issue has been ongoing and residents are not satisfied with the service being provided. They want to know if the city has saved any money by not delivering water on Wednesdays.

Councillor Joamie believed that at orientation it was indicated that the information would be provided in January and was not contingent on information from the city auditors. This information needs to be provided as soon as possible.

Councillor Nattaq stated that he supports Councillor Akumalik and Councillor Joamie in their statements. The city needs to be prepared to discuss and set direction for the Wednesday water delivery situation; the decision may not be to the satisfaction of everyone but a decision must be made.

Councillor Akumalik stated that when waterless Wednesday was introduced by Administration, he knew what the intention was. As far as he knew, the service was going to change. Approximately 125 residents signed a petition and delivered it to him, it will be given to Administration.

Councillor Dobbin noted that he has an issue with Iqaluit Water Facts question number three that states the CAO provided regular updates to Council as part of normal operating procedures; he does not recall this happening but may have been away at the time. The Facts sheet also states that Council was briefed on the matter and that the public is

generally not consulted on routine operational matters. This is not a routine operational matter; water is a basic human right and this affects health, sanitation, et cetera. It is also indicated that the city is currently saving big bucks but this is quite hard to believe; he asked the Director of Engineering and Public Works if he could provide any answers.

The Director of Engineering and Public Works advised that he does not have the numbers at hand as this matter being on this agenda was a surprise to him. He suggested that Council set a date and time for a committee of the whole meeting and he will ensure that he has the information available that they are requesting.

Councillor Matshazi agreed with Councillor Dobbin's comment that water is a fundamental human right. If the city treats it as such, how do we justify that someone living in Noble House has water seven days a week and someone living elsewhere only has water six days a week and has to pay \$250.00 for water on the seventh day. It becomes segregation and citizens are being treated differently.

He noted that at the public consultation he heard that the decision regarding water delivery on Wednesday was made regardless of what was discussed or brought forward by residents and asked if tonight's discussions were futile.

Deputy Mayor Stevenson advised that Council is the governing body of the City of Iqaluit and there is nothing that the Council can't change.

Motion #16-71

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik

Seconded by: Councillor Pizzo-Lyall

That Administration provide water delivery information at the next Engineering and Public Works Committee of the Whole meeting May 9, 2016.

Unanimously Carried

Motion #16-72

Moved by: Councillor Dobbin

Seconded by: Councillor Rochon

That Waterless Wednesday is immediately suspended until administration provides concrete evidence of savings to the city.

For – Pizzo-Lyall, Nattaq, Dobbin, Joamie, Matshazi, Rochon

Against – Akumalik

Carried

6. DEFERRED BUSINESS AND TABLED ITEMS

None

7. BY-LAWS

a) First Reading of By-law(s)

i) Appointment of Municipal Enforcement Officers

Kevin Sloboda, Chief Municipal Enforcement Officer

Motion #16-73

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik

Seconded by: Councillor Rochon

That First Reading of the Appointment of Municipal Enforcement Officers By-law is approved.

Unanimously Carried

ii) Council Indemnity By-law Amendment

Deputy Mayor Stevenson

Motion #16-74

Moved by: Councillor Pizzo-Lyall

Seconded by: Councillor Rochon

That First Reading of Council Indemnity By-law Amendment is approved.

**For – Pizzo-Lyall, Rochon, Joamie
Against – Akumalik, Nattaq, Dobbin
Abstained – Matshazi
Carried**

Councillor Matshazi abstained due to an issue with Section 3.

b) Second Reading of By-law(s)

i) Appointment of Municipal Enforcement Officers By-law No. 814

Kevin Sloboda, Chief Municipal Enforcement Officer

Motion #16-75

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik

Seconded by: Councillor Joamie

That Second Reading of Appointment of Municipal Enforcement Officers By-law No. 814 is approved.

Unanimously Carried

ii) Council Indemnity By-law Amendment No. 815
Deputy Mayor Stevenson

Deputy Mayor Stevenson noted that past Council changed the status of Mayor from part-time to full-time and it was decided that compensation would follow that of a city director. In practice and when the by-law was written, it did not follow exactly. One of the two items to be addressed is the mayor currently being paid monthly, instead of bi-weekly like a director. The other matter is that of vacation travel assistance (VTA), the mayor should receive two as a director does; this by-law addresses both issues.

Councillor Rochon asked if any previous mayor was entitled to or received two VTA.

Deputy Mayor Stevenson responded no and that prior to the current structure for the Mayor's compensation, the mayoral position was part time. Prior to the change, the salary was approximately \$60,000.00 with no benefits of any kind. When the position changed from part time to full time, the compensation structure was to follow that of a director.

Councillor Akumalik advised that he is not in support of the by-law at this time. It was announced that city management would be faced with a wage freeze, the city is in collective agreement negotiations and looking for ways to cut costs; the timing of the by-law is poor.

Councillor Dobbin agreed with Councillor Akumalik that the timing of the by-law is poor. He believed that a period of five years had to be worked before an employee is entitled to two VTA.

Councillor Joamie noted that it is being said that the Mayor's compensation or benefits are to be the same as senior management but the language in the motion does not reflect that and doesn't see it being tied to collective bargaining. He asked if it could be tied to collective bargaining and if the motion could be split. He noted that he is in support of the mayor being paid bi-weekly.

Deputy Mayor Stevenson clarified that the motion on the floor is for second reading of the by-law and cannot be split per say to only vote on a portion; the by-law could be referred back to staff for editing.

Councillor Rochon indicated his support for referring the by-law back to staff for editing as he supports the mayor being paid bi-weekly but does not support the VTA. He stated that since being elected, council has been inherited Water Wednesday's, increased water rates, user fees are going up across the board and the city is in debt; the timing of the by-law is terrible and is disrespectful to residents.

Councillor Matshazi supported Councillor Akumalik's comments.

Councillor Akumalik noted his support for the mayor being paid bi-weekly and asked if there was a directive issued in relation to the clauses pertaining to compensation.

Deputy Mayor Stevenson advised that no particular directive was given other than the direction intended a couple Councils ago to compensate the mayor in the same manner as a director which is currently not the case and is why this by-law has been brought forward.

He noted that the discussions thus far appear to not be in support of the VTA but in support of the bi-weekly pay. The by-law can be voted on as prepared and potentially be defeated which would mean that it would go away until such time that it was brought forward again or it could be referred back to staff for editing as per discussion.

Councillor Joamie believed it prudent to refer the by-law to staff for editing.

Councillor Pizzo-Lyall indicated her support for both the bi-weekly pay and the VTA. She stated that if the mayoral position is going to be treated as a staff position, then it is only fair that the position be compensated fairly and accordingly. The mayor works many hours outside of normal operating hours lobbying for and advancing city issues that many aren't aware of and it is only fair that the position be compensated accordingly. She suggested the by-law be edited to reflect VTA entitlement upon completion of a satisfactory performance appraisal.

Councillor Nattaq stated that he would not support increases or VTA entitlement.

Motion #16-76

Moved by: Councillor Dobbin

Seconded by: Councillor Joamie

That the by-law is referred back to staff to remove VTA entitlement and reflect bi-weekly pay.

Unanimously Carried

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

i) Solid Waste By-law Amendment No. 811

Matthew Hamp, Director, Engineering and Public Works

Motion #16-77

Moved by: Councillor Dobbin

Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

That Third and Final Reading of Solid Waste By-law Amendment No. 811 is approved.

Unanimously Carried

ii) Land Acquisition By-law No. 812

Melodie Simard, Director, Planning and Development

Motion #16-78

Moved by: Councillor Pizzo-Lyall

Seconded by: Councillor Dobbin

That Third and Final Reading of Land Acquisition By-law No. 812 is approved.

For – Pizzo-Lyall, Rochon, Nattaq, Dobbin, Matshazi

Against – Akumalik

Abstained – Joamie

Carried

Councillor Joamie abstained as there was new information regarding the CBC lots.

8. OLD BUSINESS

None

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

11. CORRESPONDENCE

None

12. IN CAMERA SESSION

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

- Legal Item
- Award of RFP for Landfill Metals
- Award of RFP for Waste Water Treatment Plant Upgrade/Expansion Detailed Design, Contract Administration and Construction Management

Motion #16-79

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik

Seconded by: Councillor Dobbin

Council goes In Camera at 7:39pm.

Unanimously Carried

Motion #16-80

Moved by: Councillor Joamie

Seconded by: Councillor Matshazi

Council returns to Regular Session at 8:58pm.

Unanimously Carried

Motion #16-81

Moved by: Councillor Joamie

Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

Council extends meeting #08 to 9:30pm.

Unanimously Carried

Motion #16-82

Moved by: Councillor Joamie

Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

Council awards the RFP for Landfill Metals to Kudlik Construction Ltd., based on their bid submission dated March 31, 2016 in the amount of \$1,756,000.00 plus GST. Council also approves to increase the total budget for Decommissioning of the West 40 Landfill to \$2,200,000.00.

Unanimously Carried

Motion #16-83

Moved by: Councillor Joamie

Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

Council awards the RFP for the Waste Water Treatment Plant Upgrade/Expansion Detailed Design, Contract Administration and Construction Management to Nunami Stantec in the amount of \$1,527,800.00 plus GST, as per their proposal dated April 4, 2016.

Unanimously Carried

13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion #16-84

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik

Seconded by: Councillor Joamie

Council adjourns at 9:05pm.

Unanimously Carried

Romeyn Stevenson
Deputy Mayor

John Mabberi-Mudonyi
A/Chief Administrative Officer

Approved by City Council on the **14th** day of **February**, 2017, AD.