

**CITY OF IQALUIT  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING #15  
July 23, 2013 at 6:00 PM  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**PRESENT FROM COUNCIL**

Mayor John Graham  
Deputy Mayor Mary Wilman  
Councillor Mark Morrissey  
Councillor Romeyn Stevenson  
Councillor Joanasie Akumalik

**ABSENT**

Councillor Kenneth Bell  
Councillor Terry Dobbin  
Councillor Simon Nattaq

**PRESENT FROM ADMINISTRATION**

John Hussey, Chief Administrative Officer  
Tracy Cooke, City Clerk  
John Mabberi-Mudonyi, Senior Director, Corporate Services  
Arif Sayani, Director, Planning and Development  
Michael Hatch, A/Chief Municipal Enforcement Officer  
Luc Grandmaison, Fire Chief  
Meagan Leach, Director, Engineering and Sustainability  
Jennifer Catarino, Assistant City Planner  
Jeanie Eeseemailee, Senior Interpreter/Translator  
Rachel Ootoova, Senior Interpreter/Translator

**PRAYER**

Councillor Nattaq opened the meeting with a prayer at 6:20pm.

**SWEARING IN**

Vanessa Griffin was sworn in by Commissioner for Oaths, Jennifer Catarino, as a Municipal Enforcement Officer.

## **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

### **Motion #13-196**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson  
Seconded by: Councillor Morrissey

That the agenda be adopted as amended:

Delete	Item 3 (a) – RCMP Report
Delete	Item 9 (a) – Request for Decision - Variance Lot 189, Plan 3896
Add	(1) Awards and Recognition
Add	Item 9 (l) – Request for Decision – Municipal Enforcement Vehicle
Add	Item 10 (a) – Council Aquatic Centre Building Committee Report #02

**Unanimously Carried**

### **1. MINUTES**

- a) Continuation of Finance Committee of the Whole Meeting #01 –  
January 31st, 2013

### **Motion #13-197**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson  
Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

That Continuation of Finance Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes #01  
dated January 31, 2013 be approved.

**Unanimously Carried**

- b) Engineering and Public Works Committee of the Whole Meeting  
#03 – June 5, 2013

### **Motion #13-198**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson  
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Wilman

That Engineering and Public Works Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes  
#03 dated June 5, 2013 be approved.

**Unanimously Carried**

## **2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

None

## **3. DELEGATIONS**

- b) Elaine McNaughton  
Ottawa Health Services Network Inc.

Ms. Elaine McNaughton thanked Council for giving her the opportunity to present and stated that she is here on behalf of the Ottawa Health Services Network Inc., a non for profit organization established in 1997. Its primary service is the Baffin-Ottawa Program, which coordinates specialist and tertiary health care in Ottawa and Iqaluit for residents of the Baffin region of Nunavut.

The Ottawa Health Services Network Inc.'s focus is to provide specialized medical services for people in Nunavut. These include:

- coordination of specialist services for clinics at the Qikiqtani General Hospital
- coordination of pediatric visits in the communities
- case management for people who come to Ottawa for medical care
- appointment coordination for medical referrals
- medical interpretation for patients while in Ottawa
- liaison with Non-Insured Health Benefits and Iqaluit case managers and other services, including arranging nursing care for people recuperating in Ottawa
- liaison with the Department of Family Services with respect to supporting children who are medically fostered in Ottawa and for long-stay patients
- management of physician payments and invoices

Ms. McNaughton advised that several adult specialists are sent north including neurology, orthopedics, cardiology, internal medicine, rheumatology, technicians and a certified diabetes educator and more. Many of the specialists bring medical residents with them as these services also go to communities. Pediatric specialists are also sent north and up island; pediatric residents provide blocks of service to the Qikiqtani General Hospital.

The Ottawa Health Services Network Inc. has several staff members. These include:

- four case managers
- six medical interpreters
- three medical referrals coordinators, a health records technician, part-time bookkeeper and part-time specialty clinics coordinator
- director of operations

- president and board of directors

Case managers and interpreters share on-call duty and are available 24/7.

Ms. McNaughton stated that the Ottawa Health Services Network Inc. works very closely with its northern partners. All case managers and one of the referral coordinators have travelled north and spent time in the communities. The Qikiqtani General Hospital's Specialty Clinics Manager, Stephen Cole, who is now acting Territorial Director of Medical Affairs, travelled to Ottawa for four days in April. The organization was invited to contribute to the Government of Nunavut's Health Strategic Plan and have met with the senior staff of the new Department of Family Services.

She advised that patients who are beneficiaries stay at Baffin Larga, the medical boarding home. They are supported by the medical interpreters as needed at their appointments or in the hospital. The hospitals and physicians offices contact the case managers with respect to any difficulties, to advise when a patient is ready to leave the hospital and to problem solve any barriers to going home. Patients staying at Baffin Larga may receive nursing care as required.

Ms. McNaughton explained that case managers confer with the physicians and determine that a patient is to be cleared to go home. This information is provided to Baffin Larga and travel arrangements are made for the patient to go home, if the patient is staying at Baffin Larga. Once medical treatment is completed, the Ottawa Health Services Network Inc.'s health records clerk compiles discharge and other documentation for distribution to both Iqaluit and a person's home community.

She stated that there is a waiting list for most specialists in Ottawa and some have longer waitlists than others. There are a large number of requests for services in the north for some specialty services including ENT, adult orthopedics, surgery, dermatology and ophthalmology. The longer waiting lists for services in Ottawa are adult orthopedics, diagnostic imaging, ophthalmology and cardiology.

She provided Council with the following service activity list for 2012-2013:

- seven thousand one hundred forty five (7145) appointments made for people on medical travel to Ottawa
- the top three specialist's visits were to oncology with eight hundred sixty two (862) visits, adult orthopedics with seven hundred twenty nine (729) visits and ophthalmology with five hundred sixty five (565) visits
- two thousand three hundred thirty eight (2338) patients were cleared by the Ottawa Health Services Network Inc.'s case managers to return home from Ottawa

- the top three communities where patients were discharged to were Iqaluit, Pangnirtung and Igloolik
- two thousand twenty three (2023) patients were seen in specialty clinics and in home communities in 2012 and 2013
- four hundred eight (408) patients saw a technician in conjunction with their seeing a specialist
- fifteen (15) children are in medical foster care
- fourteen (14) patients received surgical joint interventions in March 2013 at the Ottawa hospital; this was the second year for the “Nunavut Days”. It was an excellent example of integrated care between Nunavut and Ottawa with proper coordination of their per-admission assessments, tests, surgery, physio and discharge home

Ms. McNaughton advised that the Ottawa Health Services Network Inc. developed a brochure for people living in the Qikiqtani Region who need to come south for medical care; copies have been mailed to all community health centers and copies have been sent to Qikiqtani General Hospital.

Councillor Akumalik thanked Ms. McNaughton for her presentation and the important information. He noted that he has received services from the Ottawa Health Services Network Inc. in the past and believed it to be a good service for residents of Iqaluit. He asked if the medical interpreters currently available are sufficient for the demand.

Ms. McNaughton believed that the current medical interpreters were sufficient at the moment; there are gaps between appointments and it seems to help with the need for medical interpreters. Often they are only needed to provide medication instructions to the patient or other important information they need to know to continue their care after surgery or services received.

Councillor Akumalik asked who is responsible for the policy that addresses escorts for patients and what does it indicate.

Ms. McNaughton noted that the Government of Nunavut is responsible for the policy and that she did not have specific information relating to the policy on hand.

Councillor Akumalik asked if she and the remaining staff of the Ottawa Health Services Network Inc. received cultural orientation at the beginning of their employment.

Ms. McNaughton advised that she did not receive cultural orientation but that others may have; the program has existed for a number of years and she has only been on staff for ten months.

Deputy Mayor Wilman thanked Ms. McNaughton and believed that the Ottawa Health Services Network Inc. provides a very good service to northern residents.

Councillor Stevenson asked for clarification on children in medical foster care.

Ms. McNaughton explained that this would relate to children who are in Ottawa for a long period of time and who have very complex conditions or are medically fragile and cannot come back and forth as they require ongoing treatment. Often the legal guardianship will give temporary guardianship to another individual while they are in Ottawa and this can sometimes be difficult for physicians as to who has legal rights of consent for treatment.

Councillor Stevenson asked if they provided services to children and youth who suffer from depression or schizophrenia or any other illnesses often seen in Nunavut.

Ms. McNaughton explained that it has not been a primary goal; children's mental health is only addressed to a certain extent.

- c) Annabella Piugattuk  
Citizen at Large

Delegate was not in attendance.

#### **4. AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

Mayor Graham stated that the Canadian Association of Municipal Administrators' Long Service Recognition Awards Program recognizes and celebrates the dedication to public service and municipal management of their members, which is a significant priority for their association. These awards are based on the number of years of full-time, paid employment in municipal government in a management capacity; they are granted at ten years and given in five year increments.

This year in our municipality, they acknowledge the commitment of Chief Administrative Officer, Mr. John Hussey, for his ten years of municipal service in a management capacity.

Mayor Graham presented Mr. John Hussey with a Certificate of Recognition from the City of Iqaluit thanking him for his ten years of service and his hard work and dedication to the municipality.

#### **5. STATEMENTS**

Councillor Stevenson noted that residents expressed their concerns to him regarding the current conditions of the causeway and breakwater; he believed

that the city had already addressed this issue with the Government of Nunavut as they are responsible for the maintenance and repairs as these facilities belong to them. He believed that this year, as most years, the Government of Nunavut is not able to release their tenders on time to have the conditions of the facilities addressed in a timely manner. He thanked Mr. Hussey and Mayor Graham for pursuing the issue with the Government of Nunavut; the facilities were being worked on during the past couple days.

He expressed his concern with residents dumping waste throughout the city or outside the old waste facility; investigations were conducted to identify the individual responsible for the dumping of waste and rocks have been installed to prevent future illegal dumping of waste.

He stated that a concerned resident approached him and indicated that a development company had not fenced their building supplies; this is a requirement and the city should ensure that developers follow requirements. Children play in the area and them or others having access to building supplies is also a fire hazard concern.

Mayor Graham advised that a public consultation will be held regarding the proposed Responsible Pet Owner and Sled Dog By-law prior to it receiving second reading; several residents have requested to provide comments and suggestions to the new proposed by-law.

**6. DEFERRED BUSINESS AND TABLED ITEMS**

None

**7. BYLAWS**

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

- i) Appointment of Municipal Enforcement Officers By-law  
Michael Hatch, A/Chief Municipal Enforcement Officer

Administration stated that the purpose of the by-law is to update their officers listed on Schedule A.

**Motion #13-199**

Moved by: Councillor Morrissey

Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

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

**Unanimously Carried**

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

- i) Appointment of Municipal Enforcement Officers By-law  
Michael Hatch, A/Chief Municipal Enforcement Officer

**Motion #13-200**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson  
Seconded by: Councillor Morrissey

That Second Reading of Appointment of Municipal Enforcement Officers By-law No. 756 be approved.

**Unanimously Carried**

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

None

**8. OLD BUSINESS**

None

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

- b) Request for Decision – Alarm Monitoring System  
Luc Grandmaison, Fire Chief

Administration stated that a committee has been established and is led by dispatcher Steve Allen along with committee members Barry Rogers and Brian Witzaney-Chown; this committee has been working on the upgrades and replacement of dispatch equipment and components since February 2013.

The committee recommends upgrading the current alarm monitoring system Silent Knight 9800 which has features breaking on the hardware; the system has not been serviced or maintained since put into service approximately eight years ago and is now a discontinued model. The proposed replacement model is a Honeywell MX-8000-3 Digital Receiver.

**Motion #13-201**

Moved by: Councillor Morrissey  
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

That Council approve the purchase of MX-800-3 Digital receiver from Colonnade Security Inc. in the amount of eight thousand ninety five (\$8,095.00) dollars plus applicable taxes to upgrade the alarm monitoring system.

**Unanimously Carried**

c) Request for Decision – Priority Dispatch  
Luc Grandmaison, Fire Chief

Administration stated that Emergency Dispatch Services currently uses Symposium Technologies Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD), which dispatchers input call information taken from a caller into fields which produces a file for ambulance, fire, or search and rescue, which is then sent to the firefighters for review after a call is received for assistance.

Currently, dispatchers are trained in house by current employees; there is no standard for call taking information and dispatch protocols with the current system.

It is recommended that Priority Dispatch ProQA Paramount software be purchased to add to the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system. Priority Dispatch ProQA software will work in conjunction with Symposium Technologies and offer a system of standardized key questions used to streamline the process of call taking in emergencies, also giving key pre-arrival instructions to the caller and providing a proper response of resources. All dispatchers will answer calls with the same questions and answers and will be required to take and pass certification courses associated with the system, holding them to a standard known world-wide, which is included in the cost of the system. The Priority Dispatch ProQA software is currently used by nearly three thousand (3000) public safety agencies and in over twenty three (23) countries worldwide.

Councillor Stevenson asked for clarification on what is included in the cost.

Administration advised that the software as well as training for staff members is included in the cost; a specialized individual will be coming to Iqaluit to provide training.

Councillor Stevenson asked if the system will be bilingual.

Administration stated that they are not aware whether or not the system will accommodate more than one language, but dispatchers are enrolled in Inuktitut speaking classes to better assist unilingual callers.

**Motion #13-202**

Moved by: Councillor Morrissey

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Wilman

That Council approve the purchase of Priority Dispatch ProQA Paramount software in the amount of twenty four thousand eight hundred fifty four (\$24,854.00) USD plus applicable taxes.

**Unanimously Carried**

d) Request for Decision – Telephone Upgrades  
Luc Grandmaison, Fire Chief

Administration stated that the committee recommends changing the telephone system for dispatch from the city's PBX telephone system to Northwestel's Centrex telephone system, which is a direct line system to dispatch. Currently, telephone lines come into the city's phone system which involves actual hardware in the building and then are re-routed to the correct number.

All maintenance with the Centrex system will be with Northwestel in Yellowknife and no hardware will be in the city building for dispatch. In the event of a power failure, telephone communications will not be lost. Currently when power is lost, the PBX telephone system shuts down preventing emergency calls from reaching dispatch up until back-up electrical power is restored. Additionally, more features conducive to emergency services are available on the Centrex telephone system than the PBX, i.e.: call forwarding outside of the building, three- way calling, caller ID, etc. Furthermore, with the new telephone system, the number of ringtones on the callers end will reduce by 2 to 3 times.

Northwestel's recommendation is that the Emergency Services Dispatch be on the Centrex telephone system; the public reporting an emergency would benefit more from the Centrex telephone system than being on the City's PBX system.

Councillor Morrissey asked if there would be any ongoing maintenance or user fees for the system from Northwestel, and if so, are they included in the budget.

Administration noted that one invoice from Northwestel is received every month for several telephone lines; the cost of the telephone system for the department would be one thousand three hundred sixty eight (\$1,368.00) dollars per month.

**Motion #13-203**

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Wilman

That Council approve the upgrade to the current PBX telephone system to a centralized Northwestel Centrex telephone system for six thousand five hundred sixty two (\$6,562.00) dollars plus applicable taxes and any unforeseen installation complications.

**Unanimously Carried**

e) Request for Decision – Voice Logger  
Luc Grandmaison, Fire Chief

Administration stated that it was recommended that the current voice recorder be upgraded to the Eventide Nexlog 740 voice logger, which records all telephone and radio lines, in and out of dispatch. This device is critical in the operation of emergency dispatch and reliability must be one hundred (100) percent.

The current voice recorder, Panda Playback Black Vox, has been in service for over ten (10) years and operationally becomes overloaded with data and shuts down without notice. The current system is not user friendly for downloading calls, is not accessible from both dispatcher workstations and playback quality sometimes is not understandable.

One of the objectives of this upgrade was to be compatible with our responding partners. The Eventide Voice recorder is the standard voice recorder in the dispatch service centres of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, including Iqaluit. Every Federal Corrections Canada site, all Department of National Defense sites in Canada and a host of provincial, municipal, and industry customers across Canada use this system.

Councillor Stevenson asked if the system will enable the dispatch department to transfer a call received that may have been for the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, while remaining on the line to ensure the call is transferred to them.

Administration confirmed that the new system would allow them to answer a call, transfer it to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, while remaining on the line until the call is completely transferred over.

**Motion #13-204**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Wilman

That Council approve the change from the current voice recorder system to an Eventide Nexlog 740 from Glentel Solutions in the amount of thirty four thousand six hundred sixty nine dollars and ninety three cents (\$34,669.93) plus applicable taxes.

**Unanimously Carried**

f) Request for Decision – Workstation Consoles  
Luc Grandmaison, Fire Chief

Administration stated that the committee recommends upgrading the current desks utilized by dispatch staff to desks designed for twenty four (24) hours per day, seven days a week working conditions.

The current desks being used are in house made from old desks and are pieced together with two by four planks; this is not practical for their working conditions.

Office life is also hard on muscles and the skeleton, thanks to prolonged computer use that is so common among workers in a similar environment. When the body is still, circulation reduces, causing a reduction in the supply of oxygen and nutrients to the muscles. This scenario, coupled with poor posture, can produce a number of musculoskeletal disorders (MSD), according to the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, which manifest with pain, tingling, discomfort, numbness and swelling in the joints and muscles. Most are temporary, but others can be permanent.

With the new desks they will have the ability to be height adjustable to the user and also have the ability for sit or standing operation.

**Motion #13-205**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson  
Seconded by: Councillor Morrissey

That Council approve the purchase of a new Computer Aided Dispatch Workstation from XYBIX Systems in the amount of twenty two thousand four hundred forty nine USD and eleven cents (\$22,449.11) plus applicable taxes and shipping.

**Unanimously Carried**

g) Request for Decision – Station Alerting  
Luc Grandmaison, Fire Chief

Administration stated that the committee also recommends purchasing, installing and implementing a standardized station alerting system.

Automated Protection System Firehouse Alerting inc. (APS) has a fire/ambulance station alerting system that would be linked to the Computer Aided Dispatch System to input and output pertinent information such as location and call type and relay it to first responders along with a map of the response area, as soon as that information is gathered, to speed up and reduce the response time to an emergency. The system will simultaneously notify personnel in audio and video.

Response times can mean the difference between life and death or loss of property. This system accurately notifies the responding crews of the emergency, without taking the dispatcher away from the phone to do so. Thus providing better service to the public and giving more time for gathering accurate information and the ability to provide pre-arrival instructions to the caller.

**Motion #13-206**

Moved by: Councillor Morrissey  
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Wilman

That Council approve the purchase of the APS fire station alerting system in the amount of sixteen thousand nine hundred sixty one USD and eighty one cents (\$16,961.81) plus applicable taxes and installation fees and charges.

**Unanimously Carried**

- h) Request for Decision – Road to Nowhere Bridge Repair  
Meagan Leach, Director, Engineering and Sustainability

Administration stated that the Department of Engineering and Sustainability invited four contractors to provide submissions for the Road to Nowhere Bridge Repair Tender on June 12, 2013; tenders were received until 4:00pm on July 4, 2013. In response to the tender call, two tender submissions were received.

After reviewing the submissions, it was determined that both the contractors met the requirements of the request for tender. Between them, Kudlik Construction Ltd. had the lowest price after the Nunavummi Nangminiqagtunik Ikajuuti Policy adjustment was applied; therefore, the Department of Engineering and Sustainability recommends that the contract for the Road to Nowhere Bridge Repair be awarded to Kudlik Construction Ltd.

**Motion #13-207**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Wilman  
Seconded by: Councillor Morrissey

That Council award the contract for the Road to Nowhere Bridge Repair to Kudlik construction Ltd. in the amount of nine thousand seven hundred (\$9,700.00) dollars plus GST as per their tender dated July 4, 2-13.

**Unanimously Carried**

- i) Request for Decision – Block Funding  
Meagan Leach, Director, Engineering and Sustainability

Administration noted that the Nunavut Legislative Assembly has approved capital funding for the City of Iqaluit in the amount of three million four hundred thousand

(\$3,400,000.00) dollars in fiscal year 2013-2014, with an additional three million four hundred thousand (\$3,400,000.00) dollars planned annually up to fiscal year 2017-2018, inclusive.

In order to complete the Capital Contribution Agreement with the Government of Nunavut and have the funds transferred, the following motion is required:

“The Council has, by way of motion \_\_\_\_\_ resolved that it will assume full capital authority and responsibility for the planning and delivery of all municipal projects eligible for funding under the GN Department of Community and Government Services (the “Department”) as defined by the project categories listed in Appendix A, attached to and forming part of this Agreement.”

In order to allow for the finalization of the Capital Contribution Agreement, the Department of Engineering and Sustainability is requesting that the above motion be made.

The eligible project categories listed in Appendix A include:

- Water,
- Sewer,
- Sanitation (Solid Waste Facilities),
- Quarry Development and Granular Supply,
- Road paving/repairs, Bridges, and Trails,
- Cemetery,
- Drainage and Road Network Improvements, and
- Building Upgrades.

**Motion #13-208**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Wilman

Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

That Council will assume full capital authority and responsibility for the planning and delivery of all municipal projects eligible for funding under the GN Department of Community and Government Services (the “Department”) as defined by the project categories listed in Appendix A, attached to and forming part of the Agreement.

**Unanimously Carried**

- j) Request for Decision – Realignment of Upper Base Road Phase 3  
Meagan Leach, Director, Engineering and Sustainability

Administration stated that the Department of Engineering and Sustainability advertised the Realignment of Upper Base Road Phase 3 Call for Tender on June 10, 2013; tender submissions were received until 4:00pm on July 3, 2013.

After reviewing the submissions, it was determined that all contractors met the requirements of the request for tender. Of these contractors, Nunavut Excavating 2007 Inc. had the lowest price after the Nunavummi Nangminiqagtunik Ikajuuti Policy adjustment was applied.

Councillor Stevenson asked if the realignment would address the tightness of the turn.

Administration advised that the realignment will improve the grades along the turn and improve the road surface so that it can be properly maintained; barriers will also be installed along the edges to prevent vehicles from going over the cliff.

Councillor Stevenson asked if it would also include proper ditches as the Public Works Department indicated that proper ditches and drainage was a serious issue. He also asked if the proper material would be used for the road upgrades.

Administration confirmed that proper drainage will be installed and tests will be conducted to ensure that the proper material is used for the road.

Councillor Morrissey asked if there will be sufficient time for the agreement with the Government of Nunavut to be signed and start and complete this project before the end of construction season.

Administration believed that the agreement should be signed shortly after they receive the motion from Council and does not anticipate any delays; the project should be completed before the end of construction season.

### **Motion #13-209**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson

Seconded by: Councillor Morrissey

That Council award the contract for the Realignment of Upper Base Road to Nunavut Excavating 2007 in the amount of six hundred fifty thousand two hundred forty (\$650,240.00) dollars plus GST, as per their tender submission dated July 3, 2013.

**Unanimously Carried**

l) Request for Decision – Municipal Enforcement Vehicle  
Michael Hatch, A/Chief Municipal Enforcement Officer

Administration stated that the current fleet consists of a 2012 F-150, a 2010 F-150, a 2008-F150 and a 2003 Sport Trac. The 2003 Sport Trac has served the department for ten years and should be removed from the fleet. A rebuilt transmission was placed in it in 2011 at a cost of six thousand five hundred

(\$6,500.00) dollars. The Municipal Enforcement Department currently has five officers and the Chief Municipal Enforcement Officer; with the additional two added positions in 2013 this will bring the department up to eight staff members and increases the need for reliable vehicles in the fleet. The 2008 F150 is being allocated to the Animal Control Department; a new vehicle is being requested for the traffic enforcement division.

With the increase of vehicle usage and high demand placed on the 2003 vehicle it would be beneficial to replace the vehicle with a newer vehicle; the vehicle was fully amortized as of 2009. This vehicle has a total of ninety nine thousand seven hundred (99,700) kilometres with a running time of sixteen hours a day”

The new Ford F-150 would have all equipment installed prior to being shipped on the 2013 sealift; this would eliminate any issues of having uncertified professionals installing the equipment once in Iqaluit. The vendor, Auto Pro PSE, provided the lowest cost and under the approved amount of fifty five thousand (\$55,000.00) dollars.

**Motion #13-210**

Moved by: Councillor Morrissey

Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

That Council award the tender for the purchase of an F150 complete with required equipment to Auto Pro PSE from Ottawa, ON in the amount of fifty two thousand nine hundred ninety five (\$52,995.00) dollars plus GST and shipping costs.

**Unanimously Carried**

k) Discussion Item – Council Vacancy  
Mayor Graham

Mayor Graham noted that Council was faced with the unfortunate loss of Councillor Kilabuk and must now decide how to proceed with the vacancy. He stated that Council can choose to leave the vacancy as is, appoint someone from the community or hold a by-election. If Council chooses to hold a by-election, they must decide quickly as there would be an opportunity to hold the by-election in conjunction with the Iqaluit District Education Authority and Commission Scholaire Francophone du Nunavut’s election being held in the fall.

Councillor Stevenson asked if discussions had taken place with the Government of Nunavut in regards to cost if the city decides to hold the by-election in conjunction with them.

Administration advised that discussions took place regarding the possibility of holding the by-election in conjunction with their election but there was no discussion on costs.

Councillor Stevenson noted that the city has held by-elections on its own in the past and asked what the difference in cost would be if the city held the by-election on their own compared to sharing the election with the Government of Nunavut.

Administration explained that the city shared the cost of the elections with the Government of Nunavut equally; there was an increase of workload for the city but the cost was shared. The cost of holding the by-election is approximately ninety thousand (\$90,000.00) dollars.

Councillor Morrissey asked if the city has available funds in reserves for the by-election.

Administration believed that there was approximately thirty thousand (\$30,000.00) dollars remaining in the reserve after the last election and there was thirty three thousand (\$33,000.00) dollars transferred to the Elections Reserve in 2013; an additional thirty thousand (\$30,000.00) dollars will be transferred in 2014 but this was to be used for the next municipal election in 2015. Council can chose to transfer more into the reserve to accommodate the expenses of the by-election in 2014.

Councillor Akumalik believed that Council could operate as status quo as quorum is always met. He asked who would be the next candidate with the highest votes from the last election and why Council cannot simply appoint that individual: He also asked if the voters list is updated

Administration noted that the city has a voters list used at a previous municipal election and this list has not yet been updated; this would be a task to be completed by the Chief Municipal Electoral Officer. The city used the Nunavut Elections Voters List for the election held in 2009 but this was a one-time agreement with the Government of Nunavut.

Mayor Graham agreed with Councillor Akumalik that quorum has not been an issue. He believed that Council could appoint any resident of the community as a Councillor but would need to review applicable legislation.

Councillor Stevenson expressed his support for filling the vacancy as it is very valuable to have a full Council. He also expressed his support for the by-election but would like the city to explore options on how to reduce the cost of it. He asked if the city could request to use the Nunavut Elections voters list to save time and money.

Administration noted that the city could request to use the same voters list but there were several issues with the voters list during the 2009 election; many residents had not taken the time to update their information or to add themselves to the list. On election day, many residents needed to be sworn in as they were not on the voters list and this created additional work for the staff on election day.

Councillor Stevenson believed that the Government of Nunavut would be updating their list for the elections in the fall.

Councillor Morrissey expressed his support for holding a by-election and stated that he would not be comfortable appointing an individual or even discussing possible candidates in a public meeting. The appointment of Mayor and Council is done by residents of the community and Council appointing a member of the public would undermine that authority. He expressed his concern with the cost of holding a by-election but would prefer approving this option rather than simply appointing a member of the public. He noted if other Council members were considering resigning from Council for whatever reason, that they make it known prior to the by-election, if the Council chooses to hold the by-election, to prevent the city from having to hold an additional by-election shortly after or next year.

Councillor Akumalik believed that a by-election would be very expensive; he expressed his support for the appointment of a member from the public. He stated that if Council chooses to appoint a member of the public it should be discussed during In Camera session.

#### **Motion #13-211**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson

Seconded by: Councillor Morrissey

That Administration contact Elections Nunavut to discuss timelines and financials of holding a city by-election in conjunction with the Territorial Election in the fall.

**Unanimously Carried**

#### **10. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a) Council Aquatic Centre Building Committee Report No. 2  
Mayor Graham, Chairperson

#### **Motion #13-212**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Wilman

That Council approve the Aquatic Centre Schematic Design and proceed to the next design phase.

**Unanimously Carried**

**11. CORRESPONDENCE**

- b) Application: "From the Land to the Virtual: Network in the Canadian Arctic"

**Motion #13-213**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson

Seconded by: Councillor Morrissey

That the NRI application "From the Land to the Virtual: Network in the Canadian Arctic"; Alexander Castleton, Carleton University.

**For – Akumalik, Stevenson, Morrissey  
Against - Wilman  
Carried**

**12. IN CAMERA SESSION**

None

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion #13-214**

Moved by: Councillor Morrissey

Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:50pm.

**Unanimously Carried**

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John Graham  
Mayor

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John Hussey  
Chief Administrative Officer

Approved by City Council on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2013, AD.