# CITY OF IQALUIT CITY COUNCIL MEETING #32 December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 6:00 PM COUNCIL CHAMBERS

# PRESENT FROM COUNCIL

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

#### **ABSENT**

Councillor Stephen Mansell

#### PRESENT FROM ADMINISTRATION

John Mabberi-Mudonyi, A/Chief Administrative Officer Tracy Cooke, City Clerk Kevin Sloboda, Chief Municipal Enforcement Officer Eva Michael, Communications Officer Jeanie Eeseemailee, Senior Interpreter/Translator

#### **PRAYER**

Councillor Nattaq opened the meeting with a prayer at 6:40pm.

#### **SWEARING IN**

None

# **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

#### Motion #14-402

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That the agenda be adopted as presented.

**Unanimously Carried** 

# 1. MINUTES

a) Finance Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes #01 – January 9, 2014

### **Motion #14-403**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

That Finance Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes #01 dated January 9, 2014 be approved.

**Unanimously Carried** 

b) <u>Continuation of Finance Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes #01 – January 10, 2014</u>

# **Motion #14-404**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

That Continuation of Finance Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes #01 dated January 10, 2014 be approved.

**Unanimously Carried** 

c) <u>Continuation of Finance Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes #01 –</u> January 13, 2014

#### **Motion #14-405**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson Seconded by: Councillor Nattaq

That Continuation of Finance Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes #01 dated January 13, 2014 be approved.

**Unanimously Carried** 

d) <u>Continuation of Finance Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes #01 –</u> January 15, 2014

# **Motion #14-406**

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik That Continuation of Finance Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes #01 dated January 15, 2014 be approved.

**Unanimously Carried** 

# e) Special City Council Meeting Minutes #20 – August 6, 2014

#### **Motion #14-407**

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Special City Council Meeting Minutes #20 dated August 6, 2014 be approved.

**Unanimously Carried** 

# 2. <u>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</u>

None

### **3.DELEGATIONS**

None

# 4. **AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

None

#### 5. STATEMENTS

Councillor Akumalik noted that he was asked by Council to attend the Poverty Reduction conference with Mayor Wilman. It was a very informative conference and very successful. There will also be a roundtable session held in spring of 2015 and he looks forward to attending. He learned more about the Government of Nunavut's vision is to address poverty and hopes to see this move forward in the near future.

Councillor Bell stated that he would like to have a discussion on City poles being used for elections or by stores to advertise. They have now become bulletin boards and are covered with staples; a by-law should be created to prevent the use of these poles for advertising and to recover costs for replacement of these poles.

He noted that he, Mayor Wilman, the Chief Administrative Officer, the Director of Planning and Development and the Iqaluit Housing Corporation met with the Nunavut Housing Corporation regarding a letter that Hillside Housing Corporation received on November 21, 2014. During the meeting, it was decided to grant an extension until February 28, 2015 where the City would review the matter at hand. Hillside Housing Corporation provides affordable housing for residents of Iqaluit and has been for over thirty years. Such a letter demanding a large sum of money without factual law behind it

is disturbing. He has reviewed the planning policy, a Municipal Land Administration document written by a department with the Government of Nunavut that no longer exists, as well as the City's by-law relating to land administration and believes that there are provisions that could be used to stop this matter. This matter should be addressed as soon as possible and ask that the Department of Planning and Development assist Council with this matter.

Councillor Dobbin noted that he previously expressed his concern with scrap metal throughout the community but the City has yet to address the issue. He noted that there are numerous derelict vehicles around the community and suggested that the Unsightly Land By-law No. 714 be enforced using Articles 8 and 11. This matter has been ongoing for some time and should be addressed immediately.

# 6. **DEFERRED BUSINESS AND TABLED ITEMS**

None

# 7. BYLAWS

- a) First Reading of By-law (s)
  - i) <u>Mayor's Signature Mechanically Produced By-law</u> John Mabberi-Mudonyi, A/Chief Administrative Officer

Administration stated that the purpose of the by-law is to authorize the Mayor's signature to be mechanically reproduced for the purpose of issuing cheques.

#### Motion #14-408

Moved by: Councillor Bell

Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

That First Reading of Mayor's Signature Mechanically Produced By-law be approved.

Unanimously Carried

ii) <u>Taxi By-law Amendment</u> Kevin Sloboda, Chief Municipal Enforcement Officer

Administration stated that the purpose of the by-law is to provide for the licencing and regulating of the operators and operation of vehicles carrying passengers for compensation. The amendment to the by-law is to replace Schedule I with changes to fares. The regular fare will now be seven (\$7.00) dollars for transportation within the City of Iqaluit including Apex and the Causeway but excluding Upper Base.

### Motion #14-409

Moved by: Councillor Bell

Seconded by: Councillor Papatsie

That First Reading of Taxi By-law Amendment be approved.

**Unanimously Carried** 

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

i) Mayor's Signature Mechanically Produced By-law No. 775
 John Mabberi-Mudonyi, A/Chief Administrative Officer

# **Motion #14-410**

Moved by: Councillor Bell

Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

That Second Reading of Mayor's Signature Mechanically Produced By-law No. 775 be approved.

**Unanimously Carried** 

ii) <u>Taxi By-law Amendment No. 776</u> Kevin Sloboda, Chief Municipal Enforcement Officer

Councillor Bell asked for clarification on point no. 8 in Schedule I and if this includes the transportation of service animals.

Administration explained that the contents of the by-law itself have not been amended; only the fare has increased from six dollars to seven dollars. He believed that this was specifically for the transportation of animals in general and that it would not include service animals.

Councillor Bell did not believe that service animals should be charged double fare and suggested that this section be added in the by-law.

Deputy Mayor Stevenson asked for clarification on the wording of Schedule I point No. 2 and if the fare would include transportation from the Road to Nowhere subdivision or if it only applies to the section of Road to Nowhere where residents go camping or have bonfires; perhaps wording should be changed to make it clear that the higher fare does not apply to transportation to and from the Road to Nowhere subdivision.

Administration noted that changes will be made as requested by Council.

Councillor Akumalik noted that residents are dropped off and picked up in the golf course area near the landfill and did not believe that the City maintains this road. He

suggested that the wording in Schedule I point no. 2 referring to transportation on roads maintained by the City only be changed as taxis travel on other roads that are not always maintained by the City.

Deputy Mayor Stevenson stated that he was unaware of the ten dollar fare for individuals being brought to the river and back in town from the river and asked for confirmation that it was indeed the fare to pay for this travel.

Councillor Dobbin stated that he was only aware of the seven dollar fare amendment and that he was not aware of the other fares that individuals may pay depending on their destination. These other fares were not discussed within the committee.

Administration stated that the scheduled attached to the by-law was amended by a Council motion in 2007 to increase the fare from five dollars to six. A by-law amendment was not passed for the fare increase in 2007; a simple notation was made at the bottom of Schedule I in 2007 regarding the fare increase. The other fares such as fares for transportation of animals, transportation from Road to Nowhere or the Causeway, et cetera are not new and have not been added or changed since the by-law was first passed in 2004.

Councillor Bell suggested that the recommended changes be made to the by-law without it being sent back to the committee for discussion so that the schedule attached to the by-law properly reflects wording and fares.

Concillor Akumalik stated that when he received the meeting package and saw the schedule attached to the by-law, it was his assumption that the Taxi Review Board had reviewed the schedule and that this was their recommendation. He expressed his support for the increase to the regular from six dollars to seven dollars but expressed his concern for other fares such as the one travelling from the Causeway to Apex being ten dollars. Some families may not be able to afford such a fare if travelling with their children and unemployed.

Administration explained that the committee did express interest to discuss other fares in the schedule and that the request made to the Taxi Review Board was to review the fare of six dollars to be increased to seven dollars. There were many general discussions by the committee on the increase to the fare but no requests were made for changes to other fares; the only amendment to the by-law is the amended fare. The schedule could be reviewed and amended if requested.

#### Motion #14-411

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson

Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Second Reading of Taxi By-law Amendment No. 776 be approved.

For – Akumalik, Nattaq, Stevenson, Bell Against – Papatsie, Dobbin Carried

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

None

#### 8. OLD BUSINESS

None

### 9. **NEW BUSINESS**

a) 2015 Committee of the Whole Chair and Co-Chair Appointments

#### **Motion #14-412**

Moved by: Councillor Papatsie Seconded by: Councillor Dobbin

That Councillor Bell be appointed Chair of the Finance Committee of the Whole for 2015.

For – Papatsie, Dobbin, Bell, Nattaq, Stevenson Abstained - Akumalik Carried

Councillor Akumalik abstained to the motion as he was going to nominate another member as Chair.

#### **Motion #14-413**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson

Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Councillor Mansell be appointed Co-Chair of the Finance Committee of the Whole for 2015.

For – Papatsie, Dobbin, Nattaq, Stevenson, Bell Abstained - Akumalik Carried

Councillor Akumalik abstained to the motion as he wanted to nominate Councillor Mansell to another committee.

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson

That Councillor Bell be appointed Chair of the Planning and Development Committee of the Whole for 2015.

**Unanimously Carried** 

# **Motion #14-415**

Moved by: Councillor Bell

Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

That Deputy Mayor Stevenson be appointed Co-Chair of the Planning and Development Committee of the Whole for 2015.

**Unanimously Carried** 

# **Motion #14-416**

Moved by: Councillor Nattaq Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Councillor Akumalik be appointed Chair of the Engineering and Public Works Committee of the Whole for 2015.

**Unanimously Carried** 

#### Motion #14-417

Moved by: Councillor Bell

Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

That Councillor Papatsie be appointed Co-Chair of the Engineering and Public Works Committee of the Whole for 2015.

**Unanimously Carried** 

b) 2015 Niksiit Committee Appointment (Chair and Co-Chair)

# **Motion #14-418**

Moved by: Councillor Bell

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson

That Councillor Nattaq be appointed Chair of the Niksiit Committee for 2015.

**Unanimously Carried** 

Moved by: Councillor Nattaq Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Councillor Akumalik be appointed Co- Chair of the Niksiit Committee for 2015.

Unanimously Carried

c) <u>2015 Economic Development Committee Appointments (Chair, Co-Chair and Member)</u>

#### Motion #14-420

Moved by: Councillor Dobbin Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Mayor Wilman be appointed Chair of the Economic Development Committee for 2015.

**Unanimously Carried** 

### Motion #14-421

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson

Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Councillor Mansell be appointed Co-Chair of the Economic Development Committee for 2015.

For – Dobbin, Akumalik, Nattaq, Stevenson, Bell Abstained - Papatsie Carried

Councillor Papatsie abstained to the motion as Councillor Mansell is not in attendance.

### **Motion #14-422**

Moved by: Councillor Bell Seconded by: Councillor Dobbin

That Deputy Mayor Stevenson be appointed to the Economic Development Committee for 2015.

**Unanimously Carried** 

d) <u>2015 Public Safety Committee Appointments (Chair, Co-Chair and Member)</u>

Moved by: Councillor Bell Seconded by: Councillor Dobbin

That Councillor Mansell be appointed Chair of the Public Safety Committee for 2015.

For – Dobbin, Akumalik, Nattaq, Stevenson, Bell Abstained - Papatsie Carried

Councillor Papatsie abstained to the motion as Councillor Mansell is not in attendance.

### **Motion #14-424**

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Councillor Papatsie be appointed Co-Chair of the Public Safety Committee for 2015.

**Unanimously Carried** 

# **Motion #14-425**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson Seconded by: Councillor Dobbin

That Councillor Bell be appointed to the Public Safety Committee for 2015.

**Unanimously Carried** 

e) 2015 Recreation Committee Appointments (Chair, Co-Chair and Member)

#### **Motion #14-426**

Moved by: Councillor Bell

Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

That Deputy Mayor Stevenson be appointed Chair of the Recreation Committee for 2015.

Unanimously Carried

#### Motion #14-427

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson

Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Councillor Akumalik be appointed Co-Chair of the Recreation Committee for 2015.

#### **Unanimously Carried**

#### Motion #14-428

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Councillor Dobbin be appointed to the Recreation Committee for 2015.

**Unanimously Carried** 

f) 2015 Disabilities Advisory Committee Appointments (Chair, Co-Chair and Member)

#### Motion #14-429

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson

Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Councillor Papatsie be appointed Chair of the Disabilities Advisory Committee for 2015.

**Unanimously Carried** 

# **Motion #14-430**

Moved by: Councillor Dobbin Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Councillor Nattaq be appointed Co-Chair of the Disabilities Advisory Committee for 2015.

**Unanimously Carried** 

g) 2015 Taxi Review Board Committee Appointments (Chair and Co-Chair)

#### **Motion #14-431**

Moved by: Councillor Bell

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson

That Councillor Dobbin be appointed Chair of the Taxi Review Board for 2015.

**Unanimously Carried** 

### **Motion #14-432**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Councillor Papatsie be appointed Co-Chair of the Taxi Review Board for 2015.

### **Unanimously Carried**

h) 2015 Grievance Committee Appointments (Chair and Co-Chair)

# **Motion #14-433**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson

Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Councillor Dobbin be appointed Chair of the Grievance Committee for 2015.

**Unanimously Carried** 

### Motion #14-434

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson

Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Councillor Akumalik be appointed Co-Chair of the Grievance Committee for 2015.

Unanimously Carried

i) 2015 Emergency Management plan Committee Appointment (Chair)

#### **Motion #14-435**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

That Mayor Wilman be appointed Chair of the Emergency Management plan Committee for 2015.

**Unanimously Carried** 

j) <u>2015 Search and Rescue Committee Appointment (Mayor's</u> Representative)

#### **Motion #14-436**

Moved by: Councillor Bell

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson

That Councillor Nattaq be appointed as the Mayor's representative on the Search and Rescue Committee for 2015.

**Unanimously Carried** 

k) Request for Decision – Reserve Transfers

### John Mabberi-Mudonyi, A/Chief Administrative Officer

Administration noted that the amount budgeted in transfers to the Aquatic Centre reserves are required to meet the requirements as set out in the Bank of Montreal loan agreement. The City is required to have a balance of four million (\$4,000,000.00) dollars in Aquatic Centre reserves prior to the signing of the agreement and first loan draw on December 15, 2014. A transfer of nine hundred ninety eight thousand two hundred eighty eight dollars and ninety cents (\$998,288.90) is required from the non-restricted reserves to the Aquatic Centre dedicated reserves rather than from the General Operating Account in order to ensure the operating account is sufficient to meet the operational needs of the City. A transfer of one hundred twenty two thousand seven hundred fourteen dollars and sixty six cents (\$122,714.66) from the 2014 REACH accounts is required to be made from the General Operating Account to the REACH Reserves. This total transfer of one million one hundred twenty one thousand three dollars and fifty six cents (\$1,121,003.56) dollars would permit the City to meet the requirements of the Bank of Montreal agreement.

Councillor Bell stated that he does not support the project and that the Council is continuously asked to transfer funds or increase fund raising for this project. There are projects that could be completed that are much more urgent than the development of this facility but are being put on hold to a later date as this project has now become a priority for the City.

Deputy Mayor Stevenson stated that the Government of Nunavut would not assist the City with the costs for the extinguishment operation for the landfill fire as the government felt that the City was in a positive financial position with money is reserves. Council made a decision to transfer money from reserves to cover costs of the extinguishment operation.

Councillor Bell noted that funds were not transferred from the Aquatic Centre reserves but from all other non-restricted reserves for the extinguishment operation. The City is now transferring funds from all other reserves to cover the cost of the development of this facility.

### **Motion #14-437**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson Seconded by: Councillor Papatsie

That nine hundred ninety eight thousand two hundred eighty eight dollars and ninety cents (\$998,288.90) be transferred from the non-restricted reserves to the Aquatic Centre reserve and that one hundred twenty two thousand seven hundred fourteen dollars and sixty-six cents (\$122,714.66) be transferred from the General Operating Fund to the Aquatic Centre reserve and that four million dollars and thirty nine cents (\$4,000,000.39) in the Aquatic Centre reserve be transferred from the current bank account to a BMO account.

For - Papatsie, Akumalik, Nattaq, Stevenson

# Against – Dobbin, Bell Carried

# 10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

### 11. CORRESPONDENCE

None

# 12. IN CAMERA SESSION

- (1) as per Section 22 (2) (a) CTV Act and Bylaw 526 Section 67
- Labour Matter

# **Motion #14-438**

Moved by: Councillor Bell

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson

That Council go In Camera at 8:40pm.

**Unanimously Carried** 

# **Motion #14-439**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson

Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Council Meeting No. 32 be extended to 10:00pm.

**Unanimously Carried** 

# **Motion #14-440**

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Council return to Regular Session at 9:35pm.

**Unanimously Carried** 

# 13. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson

Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Council adjourn at 9:35pm.

**Unanimously Carried** 



Mary Wilman Mayor

John Mabberi-Mudonyi
A/Chief Administrative Officer

Approved by City Council on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2015, AD.