CITY OF IQALUIT CITY COUNCIL MEETING #07 March 24th, 2015 at 6:00 PM COUNCIL CHAMBER

PRESENT FROM COUNCIL

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

ABSENT

PRESENT FROM ADMINISTRATION

John Mabberi-Mudonyi, A/Chief Administrative Officer
Tracy Cooke, City Clerk
Victoria Embree, Executive Assistant
Jeanie Eeseemailee, Senior Interpreter/Translator

PRAYER

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

SWEARING IN

None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion #15-67

Moved by: Councillor Nattag

Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

That the agenda be adopted as presented.

Unanimously Carried

1. MINUTES

None

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

None

3. <u>DELEGATIONS</u>

a) Agsarniit Middle School
Tina Balfour

Ms. Tina Balfour thanked Council for allowing her the opportunity to present and stated that she is presenting on behalf of grade seven and eight students in the Intensive French Program at Aqsarniit Middle School. The students are planning a trip to Québec City and Montréal this coming spring; this education and cultural opportunity will offer students a unique opportunity to travel, to learn about French-Canadian culture and Canadian history, as well as to use their French communication skills while being integrated into an immersive French setting.

The students in the program have been fundraising since October 2014; the cost of the trip along with return airfare is approximately \$3,000.00 per student. A total of 19 students and two chaperons will be travelling. They are hoping that through their successful fundraising efforts they will be able to offer a trip that is inclusive and accessible to all of the students participating in the Intensive French Program.

The grade seven and eight students are hoping that City Council would be willing to donate the use of the curling rink along with the tables and chairs on April 24th for a bingo to help with their fundraising efforts. The Department of Recreation confirmed availability of the curling rink for this date. The students would greatly appreciate Council's consideration and support.

b) <u>Qikiqtani Inuit Association</u> Peter Autut and Stephen Bathory

Mr. Peter Autut thanked Council for allowing them the opportunity to present and noted that he is an employee of the Qikiqtani Inuit Association.

Mr. Stephen Bathory thanked Council for giving them the opportunity to present and stated that they are here to discuss a project that will be held in Iqaluit during the month of April. Documents were distributed to Council members, including a poster that will be distributed and posted throughout the community.

The Qikiqtani Inuit Association will be conducting an employment and training study on the Mary River Project Inuit Impact and Benefit Agreement, which was signed by the Qikiqtani Inuit Association and Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation on September 6, 2013. The study has been conducted with the Qikiqtani Inuit

Association already; approximately 750 Inuit were interviewed across the northern area of Nunavut.

The Baffin Inuit Labour Understanding and Gap Analysis study involves interviewing Nunavut Land Claims Agreement beneficiaries, 16 years of age or older who live in Iqaluit, Arctic Bay, Clyde River, Hall Beach, Igloolik and Pond Inlet to collect information on employment interests and experience, training and skills, interest in working for the Mary River Project, and barriers to employment. The Qikiqtani Inuit Association will be conducting interviews every day at the Nunavut Mining Symposium, in the lobby of the Igluvut Building and at North Mart, as well as other locations throughout Iqaluit.

Mr. Bathory explained that the backgrounder document explains what a minimum Inuit employment rate is, results from each community based on interviews and how this can improve. The third document distributed is a summary example from the interviews conducted in each community and information relating to data collected. It will also indicate what steps the Qikiqtani Inuit Association will take to improve employment interests and experience, training and skils, barriers to employment and what the interest is in working for the Mary River Project. The last document distributed is a schedule of events to occur within the next few weeks including dates, locations and times.

Mayor Wilman thanked Mr. Bathory for his presentation and information on the project.

Councillor Bell thanked Mr. Bathory for his presentation and asked if the data collected in Iqaluit from interviews will be shared with Council. Council has been working on this strategy for a number of years and this information would be very beneficial.

Mr. Autut confirmed that the information would be available to Council and to anyone else who wishes to review it.

Councillor Mansell asked if there is a start date for training and if it would be conducted in Iqaluit.

Mr. Autut explained that specific dates have not yet been identified for training; the interviews must first be completed to collect information and see what the interest is within Iqaluit. Once the information is collected, the Qikiqtani Inuit Association would be seeking to offer training in Iqaluit either through the Government of Nunavut, the Nunavut Arctic College or any other organization that would be interested in doing so.

Councillor Akumalik stated that he was advised, by some residents of other communities, or southern locations, that they could not obtain employment with the Mary River project when submitting an application from their residential

community, but when they relocated to Iqaluit, they were successful and asked for clarification.

Mr. Bathory explained that some communities in Nunavut, unfortunately, are not a point of hiring for the Mary River project. The points of hires for this project are where they have an office and can interact with the individuals who submit resumes. It does not suggest that Inuit in those communities are not qualified and it offers travel allowance to help those interested to relocate to a community where an application can be submitted.

Councillor Dobbin asked if there's an education fund to assist with training or a scholarship. He asked if there were orientation programs for Inuit hired for this project and any monitoring being conducted in relation to Inuit employment and the percentage of beneficiaries compared to individuals hired elsewhere.

Mr. Bathory advised that there is a training fund for education and training purposes of Inuit employees. A portion of that fund, on an annual basis, is dedicated for scholarships for Inuit employees. Orientation programs are offered to employees and others interested in the employment opportunity. Community visits are also conducted regularly to provide orientations. The employment rate is monitored, specifically the percentage of beneficiaries employed with the project and those non-beneficiaries employed with the project.

c) <u>Ellen Hamilton</u>

Ms. Ellen Hamilton thanked Council for allowing her the opportunity to present. She noted that she is here to discuss the filming of Two Lovers and a Bear film, which will be taking place in Iqaluit in the very near future. Approximately 50 Iqalummiut will be participating in the film and they are all very excited.

The production team is seeking support and direction on the night scenes to be filmed in Apex. In order to properly film the scenes, the streetlights in the area must be turned off. The team will have light towers and spotlights throughout Apex to provide lighting for the safety of residents as well as for the filming of the scenes. The area where scenes will be filmed is now only requiring that 18 streetlights be turned off. The production team would need to enter into an agreement with the City to request Qulliq Energy to turn off the lights; the cost of this service would be paid by the production team. The light towers will be fenced and monitored while the team is on-site but additional surveillance of the equipment on site may be required.

The production of this film in Iqaluit presents an amazing opportunity for the city and its residents. The actors are very well known across the world and to include Iqaluit residents and showcase their talent would bring additional media attention to Iqaluit, tourism and would greatly benefit the local economy.

Councillor Mansell thanked Ms. Hamilton for her presentation and expressed his support for the film and believed that this would be very beneficial for Iqaluit and its residents. He asked if her presentation was based on feedback and comments received from residents during their public meeting recently held in Iqaluit.

Ms. Hamilton confirmed that the information shared was based on feedback and comments received during the public meeting but advised that very little residents were in attendance. Most of the comments and concerns received were in relation to the lights being turned off and darkness in Apex during those filming nights; lights used for the filming of the scenes will remain turned on even when the crew is not onsite.

Councillor Mansell noted that the City has a Noise-By-law No. 599 that must be respected and suggested that the production team take this into consideration while filming the night scenes.

Councillor Dobbin noted that during the last presentation to Council it was indicated that all Apex residents would be notified of the filming to receive their feedback and comments and asked what the result of this was.

Ms. Hamilton believed that Apex residents were in support of the film and that residents expressed very little concerns, once they were advised that alternate lighting would be provided even though streetlights would be turned off.

Councillor Bell stated that he was also present during the public meeting and that no residents were in attendance. He has attended a number of public meetings and there is very little participation by residents, other than those who are not supportive of the matter.

Councillor Nattaq asked if any of the roads in Apex would be closed during the filming of the scenes.

Ms. Hamilton advised that some of the roads may be closed if needed to film a scene, but only one road would be closed at a time and would not be closed for any longer than three minutes. The filming of scenes is very quick and this is being conducted by a very professional team and will be conducted in a safe manner. If a road is closed for filming, an alternate route will be made available.

4. AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

None

5. STATEMENTS

Councillor Mansell noted that there are a number of young children riding smaller snowmobiles and often without supervisor. He suggested that parents supervise their children while on a snowmobile and ensure that a helmet is being worn.

Councillor Bell congratulated the hockey teams who recently won the gold medal; this is a significant accomplishment. He stated that a number of Council members have asked for multiple policies and have requested the creation of multiple policies and motions were made. Earlier this week, an email was sent to Mayor Wilman and the Chief Administrative Officer requesting a copy of every existing City policy, and they were received, he thanked both Mayor Wilman and the Chief Administrative Officer for providing these policies. He expressed his disappointment to see that very little policies exist, including those that have been requested by Council for a number of years. He asked that Mayor Wilman ensure that existing policies are adhered to by staff and management and that those requiring updates, be done so as soon as possible.

Councillor Stevenson also congratulated the hockey teams who recently won during a tournament; this is the most successful year for hockey teams Iqaluit has seen and this is very encouraging and worth recognition. Iqaluit also hosted the territorial basketball tournament last week and there were many youth in Iqaluit. He congratulated those who won and stated that this was very exciting. He thanked City staff for their hard work and dedication to address water issues during the past week and thanked residents for their patience and understanding.

Councillor Akumalik also congratulated the hockey teams for their success. He believed that the Public Works Department was very busy and that they are working hard to address issues within the community. He has received a number of concerns from residents regarding the snow piles throughout the community and their height and is certain the department is working on addressing those.

Councillor Dobbin believed that the City needed to discuss opportunities to complete paving of roads during the summer of 2015 while the airport project is underway. Meetings should be held with the Members of the Legislative Assembly as well as representatives from the Department of Community and Government Services to discuss this further. This would be a wonderful opportunity for the City to receive a discounted price on pavement and to finish the paving of roads in Iqaluit.

6. <u>DEFERRED BUSINESS AND TABLED ITEMS</u>

None

7. BYLAWS

a) First Reading of By-law (s)

i) <u>Appointment of Chief Administrative Officer By-law</u> John Mabberi-Mudonyi, A/Chief Administrative Officer

Administration stated that the purpose of the by-law is to appoint the newly hired Chief Administrative Officer.

Motion #15-68

Moved by: Councillor Bell

Seconded by: Councillor Mansell

That First Reading of Appointment of Chief Administrative Officer By-law is approved.

Unanimously Carried

b) Second Reading of By-law (s)

i) <u>Appointment of Chief Administrative Officer By-law No. 782</u> John Mabberi-Mudonyi, A/Chief Administrative Officer

Motion #15-69

Moved by: Councillor Bell

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson

That Second Reading of Appointment of Chief Administrative Officer By-law No. 782 is approved.

Unanimously Carried

Motion #15-70

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson

Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Third and Final Reading of Appointment of Chief Administrative Officer Bylaw No. 782 is permitted.

Unanimously Carried

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

i) Appointment of Chief Administrative Officer By-law No. 782 John Mabberi-Mudonyi, A/Chief Administrative Officer

Motion #15-71

Moved by: Councillor Mansell

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson

That Third and Final Reading of Appointment of Chief Administrative Officer Bylaw No. 782 is approved.

Unanimously Carried

8. OLD BUSINESS

None

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a) <u>Matters Arising from Delegations</u>
 - i) Agsarniit Middle School

Deputy Mayor Stevenson stated that the Recreation Committee recommended to Council that the use of City facilities not be made free of charge to any organization or group. The City also has a by-law indicating how fees are to be charged and paid for when using City facilities. He expressed his support for the trip and believed that it would be very beneficial to students, but the school should permit them to use their facility free of charge for the event.

Councillor Bell noted that City by-laws are not always enforced or respected and this is no different. Council continuously expresses their support for youth activities and initiatives and the City is undertaking the biggest project to date for the benefit of youth. He did not understand why members would not be supportive of the Agsarniit Middle School's request.

Motion #15-72

Moved by: Councillor Mansell Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Council approve the donation request from Aqsarniit Middle School for free usage of the curling rink, tables and chairs on April 21, 2015 to host a fundraising bingo.

For – Mansell, Bell, Akumalik, Dobbin, Papatsie Against – Stevenson

Abstain - Nattaq Carried

Councillor Nattaq abstained from the motion as he did not believe that the City was in a good financial position to provide use of City facilities free of charge.

ii) <u>Film</u>

Motion #15-73

Moved by: Councillor Mansell Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Council allow the film production company of Two Lovers and a Bear to turn off the 18 identified street lights in Apex as identified in their March 24, 2015 to Council on the condition that they provide the alternative lighting sources identified in their presentation and that they reimburse the City of Iqaluit all costs associated with this request.

Unanimously Carried

Motion #15-74

Moved by: Councillor Mansell Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Council direct Administration to enter into discussions with Qulliq Energy to turn off the 18 identified street lights in Apex identified by the producers and further directs that Administration invoice the film producers for all associated costs.

Unanimously Carried

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) <u>Niksiit Committee</u>
Councillor Nattag, Chairperson

Councillor Nattaq stated that the Niksiit Committee met on March 18, 2015 to review four proposals eligible for Community Wellness Funding. Approximately \$40,000.00 was available to these projects, with no opportunity to carry over funds.

The Niksiit Committee recommends the approval of the Youth Arts Month/Art and Skate Camp. The goal of the skate camp is to introduce youth to playful activities that they can do with minimal resources. The workshops will take place from 5:30pm to 8:30pm for one week. The participants will do both art and skateboarding within this time frame and healthy snacks would be provided.

The City of Iqaluit Department of Recreation is requesting funding to cover the salary of a Skate Park Supervisor during the Youth Arts Month/Art and Skate Camp. The committee also recommends supporting the project, with a readjustment of the hourly rate, as per the Community Wellness Funding criteria.

Motion #15-75

Moved by: Councillor Nattaq

Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

That Council approve the Community Wellness funding applications "Youth Arts Month/Art and Skate Camp" in the amount of \$5,000.00 and "Art and Skate Camp-Skatepark Supervisor" in the amount of \$375.00 dollars; funds to be allocated from Cluster 1, Healthy Children and Families.

Unanimously Carried

The Niksiit Committee is recommending approval of the Toonik Tyme request. The Toonik Tyme festival is an annual celebration of Inuit traditions and the return of spring. This year, the festival is celebrating its 50th anniversary, thus requiring additional volunteers, expanded programming, et cetera. The committee recommends supporting the amounts requested for facilities, food and prizes, but not the salaries of the Executive Coordinator and Accountant given that it is a volunteer run festival.

The committee is also recommending supporting the Qajaqtuaq project, a community based cultural revitalization project initiated by Moosa and Pitsula Akavak. The goal of the project is to recover, maintain, and transmit practical knowledge related to the construction of the traditional South Baffin qajaq as well as qajaq based traditional hunting techniques. The project will be delivered primarily in Inuktitut, and priority will be given to Nunavut Land Claim Beneficiaries. Given the total available budget of \$40,000.00 dollars, the committee recommends supporting the project financially to the maximum amount possible.

Councillor Mansell noted that funding is available through the Community Wellness Funding that must be spent prior to April 1, 2015. He asked why the committee did not chose to provide a higher funding amount to Toonik Tyme since there are funds remaining that must be spent and Toonik Tyme requested an increase to their annual contribution from the City for 2015.

Councillor Nattaq explained that staff is not in attendance to provide clarification on the funding amounts.

Administration advised that the Wellness Coordinator's attendance at the Council meeting was not communicated to them and apologized.

Councillor Akumalik explained that \$40,000.00 was remaining from the Community Wellness Funding to be expensed by April 1, 2015. The committee discussed the items below but he cannot remember what was discussed, to be done with remaining funds.

Councillor Stevenson noted that funds must be expensed by April 1, 2015 and if a decision is not made at this time, funds will be lost.

Administration stated that further clarification could be requested by staff and although funds should be expensed by April 1, 2015, the Government of Nunavut will sometimes make exceptions.

Councillor Mansell suggested that remaining funds be divided equally between Toonik Tyme and the Qajaqtuaq project.

Motion #15-76

Moved by: Councillor Nattaq

Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

That Council approves the Toonik Tyme Community Wellness funding proposal in the amount of \$17,312.50 and the Qajaqtuaq Project funding proposal in the amount of \$17,312.50; funds to be allocate from Cluster 1, Healthy Children and Families.

Unanimously Carried

b) <u>Public Safety Committee</u> Councillor Mansell, Chairperson

Councillor Mansell stated that the Public Safety Committee met on March 5, 2015 for a very productive meeting. The meeting began with the swearing in of new members and a review of the mandate of the committee. The committee reviewed and approved a fireworks consultation document for presentation to the public; the document will be shared on Facebook and distributed in post boxes.

The Chief Municipal Enforcement Officer provided an update on the Responsible Pet Owners By-law; the by-law has completed legal review and will be presented to Council in the very near future.

The committee also discussed the potential of a crossing signal between the boarding home and the hospital. A lighted sign over the street will be very expensive and the committee is looking at alternative signal devices and funding sources to address concerns at this intersection.

Members of the committee raised the importance of collecting outstanding traffic violations. The committee was informed that the City has very few ways to force

people to pay their fines and that the City has been asking the Government of Nunavut for statutory assistance for many years.

Councillor Mansell stated that members of the committee also raised the importance of ensuring vehicles are roadworthy and the need to get unsafe vehicles off the road. The committee was informed that a barrier to impounding vehicles is that municipal enforcement has no authority to charge impound fees.

Members of the committee raised a desire for improved lighting and the need to improve streetlights with light emitted diode lights or other types of lighting. The committee committed to review the work done so far with respect to the Public Safety Plan.

Motion #15-77

Moved by: Councillor Mansell Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Council directs Administration to investigate the cost of purchasing 2 wheel chock boot devices which can be attached to a car in the case of repeated unpaid traffic fines.

Unanimously Carried

Motion #15-78

Moved by: Councillor Mansell Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Council directs Administration to prepare a draft amendment to the Traffic By-law in order to establish fees for impounding vehicles.

Unanimously Carried

11. CORRESPONDENCE

a) Application: "Piqqusiliriqattarniq: A Narrative Inquiry of Inuit
Perspectives of Success and the role of Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit or
traditional knowledge."

Motion #15-79

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson Seconded by: Councillor Mansell

That Council approve NRI application "Piqqusiliiqattarniq: A Narrative Inquiry of Inuit Perspectives of Success and the role of Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit or traditional knowledge."; Andrew Morrison, University of Saskatchewan.

Unanimously Carried

b) <u>Mayor's Poetry City Challenge: A Celebration of Poetry, Writing</u> and Publishing

Motion #15-80

Moved by: Councillor Bell

Seconded by: Councillor Papatsie

That the City of Iqaluit participate in the Mayor's Poetry City Challenge: A Celebration of Poetry, Writing and Publishing.

Unanimously Carried

12. IN CAMERA SESSION

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

• Legal Item – Awarding of RFP for Contract Planning Services

Motion #15-81

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson Seconded by: Councillor Mansell

That Council goes In Camera at 8:10pm.

Unanimously Carried

Motion #15-82

Moved by: Councillor Mansell

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson

That Council returns to Regular Session at 8:30pm.

Unanimously Carried

Motion #15-83

Moved by: Councillor Mansell Seconded by: Councillor Papatsie

That Council award a contract for the provision of professional planning services for 2015, with possibility of a one year extension for 2016, to Northern Futures up to an amount of \$85,000.00, plus GST as per their proposal dated February, 2015 and also awards a contract for the provision of professional planning

services for 2015, with possibility of a one year extension for 2016, to FOTENN Consultants up to an amount of \$25,000.00, plus GST as per their proposal dated February 2015.

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

13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion #15-84

Moved by: Councillor Bell

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Stevenson

That Council adjourns at 8:35pm.

Unanimously Carried

Mary Wilman
Mayor

John Mabberi-Mudonyi
A/Chief Administrative Officer

Approved by City Council on the 27 day of October, 2015, AD.