

## MINUTES

TOWN OF INUVIK ~ COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AND REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS  
HELD ON MARCH 25, 2019 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
AND ON MARCH 27, 2019 IN THE MIDNIGHT SUN COMPLEX COMMUNITY HALL

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**Present:**

Mayor:	Natasha Kulikowski	Natasha Kulikowski
Deputy Mayor:	Steven Baryluk	
Councillors:	Dez Loreen	Dez Loreen
	Paul MacDonald	Paul MacDonald
	Gary McBride	Gary McBride
	Alana Mero	Ray Solotki
	Ray Solotki	Kurt Wainman ( <i>in at 7:20 p.m.</i> )
		Clarence Wood

**Absent:**

Deputy Mayor Steven Baryluk (with notice on Wednesday)  
Councillor Alana Mero (with notice on Wednesday)  
Councillor Clarence Wood (with notice on Monday)  
Councillor Kurt Wainman (with notice on Monday)  
Youth Representative Kaidynce Storr (both meetings)

**Staff Present:**

Grant Hood, Senior Administrative Officer (both meetings)  
Stephanie Sutton, Council Administrator (both meetings)  
Cynthia Hammond, Director of Protective Services (both meetings)  
Jackie Challis, Director of Tourism & Economic Development (both meetings)  
Lise Saumur, Director of Community Services (both meetings)  
Matt Hogan, Municipal Enforcement Peace Officer (both meetings)  
Aaron Waighorn, Municipal Enforcement Peace Officer (on Wednesday)  
Kecil Joseph, Development Officer (both meetings)

**Others Present:**

Jiri Raska (on Monday), Mohammed Hamid (on Monday)

**Media Present:**

Inuvik Drum (both meetings), CBC (both meetings)

**Item # 1**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Kulikowski called the committee of the whole meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the regular council meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

**Item # 2**

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Moved by Councillor McBride, seconded by Councillor Wood:

**MOTION: 061/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby adopts the agenda as presented."

Motion **CARRIED**.



Item # 3                    **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST OR PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There were no declarations of conflict of interest or pecuniary interest.

Item # 4                    **DELEGATIONS, PRESENTATIONS OR PETITIONS**

4.1                        Presentation of the Taxi Driver of the Year Award

On Monday, Officer Hogan presented the Taxi Driver of the Year Award to Delta Taxi's Car #10, Mohammed Hamed.

Item # 5                    **PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

There were no questions.

Item # 6                    **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

6.1                        Minutes of the March 11 and 13, 2019 Council Meetings

Moved by Councillor McBride, seconded by Councillor Loreen:

**MOTION: 062/03/19    "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby adopts the minutes of the March 11 and 13, 2019 Council meetings as presented."**

Motion CARRIED.

6.2                        Minutes of the March 5, 2019 Recreation, Parks & Library Advisory Board Meeting

Moved by Councillor Solotki, seconded by Councillor Loreen:

**MOTION: 063/03/19    "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby adopts the minutes of the March 5, 2019 Recreation, Parks & Library Advisory Board meeting as presented."**

Motion CARRIED.

6.3                        Minutes of the March 19, 2019 Public Works Committee Meeting

Moved by Councillor Wood, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

**MOTION: 064/03/19    "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby adopts the minutes of the March 19, 2019 public works committee meeting as presented."**

Motion CARRIED.

6.4 Minutes of the March 21, 2019 Administration Committee Meeting

One minor grammatical error was noted in the minutes.

Moved by Councillor McBride, seconded by Councillor Loreen:

**MOTION: 065/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby adopts the minutes of the March 21, 2019 administration committee meeting as amended."

Motion **CARRIED**.

Item # 7 **ACTION ITEMS**

7.1 Action Items List

On Monday, Councillor Mero requested that the Inuvik Works Program item be separated from the renaming of Kingmingya Road.

Mayor Kulikowski advised that she had hand delivered the letter regarding the redevelopment of Jim Koe Park to Minister Cochrane last week. She added that copies of the letter were also sent to Inuvik's two MLAs and Minister Schumann. Councillor MacDonald requested a copy of the letter.

Mayor Kulikowski advised that Administration had received a response from the Town's legal team about the temporary food establishment permit and would be reviewing it.

Deputy Mayor Baryluk inquired if the letter sent to a property owner ordering him to clean up his property included a deadline for compliance. Officer Hogan stated that the owner was given until April 2, 2019 to comply. SAO Hood stated that if the owner does not comply, the Town could initiate the clean-up and add costs to the property taxes. He advised that unfortunately, the property was on the tax sale list for non-payment of taxes.

Councillor McBride requested an update on the status of the ski club property survey. SAO Hood stated that staff has confirmed that the survey was never signed off and that Administration was in the process of completing the necessary paperwork.

Item # 8 **NEW BUSINESS**

8.1 RFCD 2019-SAO-021 ~ Appointment of Members to 2019 Municipal Board of Revision

Councillors Solotki and Loreen put their names forward.

Moved by Councillor McBride, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

**MOTION: 066/03/19** "BE IT RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the *Property Assessment and Taxation Act*, R.S.N.W.T . 1988, c.P-10, S.30 and 31, the Inuvik Town Council hereby appoints Chris Garven, Verna Firth, Camellia Gray, Councillor Loreen and Councillor Solotki to the 2019 Municipal Board of Revision at an honorarium of \$100.00 per half day and \$150.00 per full day."

Motion CARRIED.

8.2 RFCD 2019-SAO-022 ~ Adoption of Lottery Regulations Policy MG.009

On Monday, Councillor MacDonald provided the following comments on the policy:

1. To ensure security of money and personnel, adding a requirement to provide a security plan for lottery applications over \$30,000.00 to be reviewed by the Town's municipal enforcement staff prior to licence approval
2. For the safety of bingo winners and organizers working on site, adding a requirement to pay out bingo proceeds up to \$5,000.00 in cash and the remainder by cheque
3. To ensure safety and fairness, adding a requirement to have 2 bingo ball verifiers
4. Add a provision that no single prize in any lottery or series shall exceed \$50,000.00 without Council approval

Councillor Mero provided the following comments on the policy:

1. That lottery funds be permitted to be used for education travel for full-time post-secondary students in addition to students already listed in the policy
2. Due to having large sums on money on site during a bingo, adding a requirement to have 2 people responsible for the cash on site
3. Changing the references in Schedule A from first person to third person

Deputy Mayor Baryluk stated that he was in support of a fair and transparent lottery process. Mayor Kulikowski stated that a new bingo machine will help address some of the comments.

Moved by Councillor Mero, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

**MOTION: 067/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby tables Item 8.2 until after Item 9.1 has been discussed."

Motion CARRIED.



Due to the number of amendments discussed on Monday evening, on Wednesday, Councillor MacDonald recommended deferring approving the policy until the changes could be discussed with the lottery committee and indigenous partners. SAO Hood stated that the lottery committee would be meeting in late April to assign the next round of bingo dates and that a date was not yet confirmed.

Moved by Councillor McBride, seconded by Councillor Loreen:

**MOTION: 068/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby approves the Lottery Regulations Policy MG.009 as presented."

Motion DEFEATED.

Moved by Councillor MacDonald, seconded by Councillor Wood:

**MOTION: 069/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby defers the adoption of the Lottery Regulations Policy MG.009 until the lottery committee and other partners have a chance to review the revised recommendations."

Motion CARRIED.

**8.3** RFCD 2019-SAO-023 ~ Adoption of Amendment to Fees and Charges Policy FM.021

Moved by Councillor MacDonald, seconded by Deputy Mayor Baryluk:

**MOTION: 070/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby tables Item 8.3 until after Item 9.1 has been discussed."

Motion CARRIED.

On Monday, Councillor Loreen inquired why Administration was recommending a higher business licence fee for cannabis-related businesses. Mayor Kulikowski stated that the higher fee reflected the increased administrative workload involved in issuing these types of licences. Discussion followed on the definition of 'resident' and the fee structure for lotteries. SAO Hood noted that licence fees for bingos with prize values greater than \$1,250.00 have been reduced from 10% of total prize value to 5% of total prize value.

Deputy Mayor Baryluk noted the increase in private 50/50 raffles being advertised online and stated that there are no regulations, rules or accountability for the funds being collected. He recommended that the Town take a serious look at this issue. Councillor MacDonald stated that the lottery committee discussed it at great length and that the decision was not to get involved as it was too difficult to police. He stated that these cases are buyer beware and should be advertised as such. Councillor Mero stated that enforcing these types of events would be impossible. Deputy Mayor



Baryluk suggested that the Town run a social media campaign to educate residents about legitimate lotteries and to advise that there is no recourse for complaints about events that are not authorized by the Town.

Moved by Councillor MacDonald, seconded by Councillor Loreen:

**MOTION: 071/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby defers approving the amendments to the Fees and Charges Policy FM.021 Schedule A until the Lottery By-law 2627/LOTT/19 and Lottery Regulations Policy MG.009 are brought back to Council for approval."

Motion CARRIED.

8.4 RFCD 2019-DO-002 ~ Request for Setback Exemption

Moved by Councillor Wood, seconded by Councillor Solotki:

**MOTION: 072/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby approves the proposal to accommodate a 16 ft. by 17 ft. 7 in. storage shed on 18 Stringer Road (Lot 9, Block 87, Plan 2182)."

Motion CARRIED.

8.5 RFCD 2019-SAO-030 ~ Civic Holiday Council Meeting Cancellation

Moved by Councillor McBride, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

**MOTION: 073/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby cancels the Committee of the Whole meeting scheduled for Monday, April 8, 2019."

Motion CARRIED.

8.6 RFCD 2019-SAO-031 ~ Town of Inuvik Recreation, Parks and Library Advisory Committee Terms of Reference

Moved by Councillor Solotki, seconded by Councillor Wood:

**MOTION: 074/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby adopts the Recreation, Parks and Library Advisory Committee terms of reference as presented."

Motion CARRIED.

8.7 RFCD 2019-SAO-032 ~ Collections of Accounts Receivable Policy FM.016

It was noted that the collections letter attached to the policy was a sample template to be used at Administration's discretion.

Moved by Councillor McBride, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

**MOTION: 075/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby adopts the Town of Inuvik Collections of Accounts Receivable Policy FM.016 as presented."

Motion **CARRIED**.

8.8 Confirmation of Second Attendee for 2019 FCM Annual Conference

On Wednesday, Councillors Loreen and Wood expressed their interest in attending the conference and were given a chance to state why they wished to attend. As there was only one available spot, councillors present voted, with Mayor Kulikowski breaking the tie by voting for Councillor Loreen to attend. She thanked both councillors for putting their names forward.

8.9 RFCD 2019-SAO-034 ~ Approval of 2018 Audited Financial Statements

Moved by Councillor McBride, seconded by Councillor Loreen:

**MOTION: 076/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby approves the 2018 audited financial statements as presented."

Motion **CARRIED**.

Item # 9 **BYLAWS**

9.1 RFCD 2019-SAO-024 ~ By-law 2627/LOTT/19 ~ Lottery Regulations By-law

On Monday, Councillor MacDonald requested that a clause be added for accountability purposes that would require the Inuvik Community Corporation and Nihtat Gwich'in Council to report back to Council on the funding distributed to them under the by-law. SAO Hood stated that the by-law would need to be amended in order to make any changes.



Moved by Councillor McBride, seconded by Councillor Loreen:

**MOTION: 077/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby defers giving **THIRD AND FINAL READING** to By-law 2627/LOTT/19, a by-law to adopt a Lottery Regulations Policy, until the Lottery Regulations Policy MG.009 is brought back to Council for approval."

Motion **CARRIED**.

9.2 RFCD 2019-SAO-025 ~ Zoning By-law 2622/P+D/18  
To Amend Zoning By-law 2583/P+D/15 to Add Provisions for Voluntary Penalties

Moved by Councillor McBride, seconded by Councillor Solotki:

**MOTION: 078/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives **SECOND READING** to By-law 2622/P+D/18, a by-law to amend the Zoning By-law 2583/P+D/15."

Motion **CARRIED**.

9.3 RFCD 2019-SAO-026 ~ Zoning By-law 2623/P+D/18  
To Amend Zoning By-law 2583/P+D/15 to Add Provisions for Cannabis Retail and Production Facilities

On Monday, Mr. Joseph circulated a map with buffer zones as requested at the public works committee meeting held earlier in the week. He stated that buffer zones create a barrier as to where cannabis businesses or production can set up. He added that the intent was not to restrict the commercial zone but rather to provide a minimum proximity from certain types of uses such as daycares, places of worship, schools, Town facilities and parks. It was noted that Inuvik's mosque was not included on the map due to the fact that it is located in a residential zone. Councillor Loreen inquired if drug paraphernalia was covered. Mr. Joseph stated that it would fall under the definition of "cannabis related".

Councillor MacDonald stated that he was concerned with having cannabis retail or related sales restricted to the industrial zone due to the area's distance from public view and potential nefarious activities. He added that it would be much more visible and easily monitored in the downtown area. Councillor Loreen agreed.

Mayor Kulikowski inquired how the distances were decided upon. Mr. Joseph stated that he had taken those distances from recommendations provided to the Town and that if the distances were too great, it would limit how much space is available. Deputy Mayor Baryluk inquired if the distances were measured from property lines or from property centres. Mr. Joseph confirmed that they were from property centres and that the distance from the school should be 190 metres.

It was noted that the public hearing on March 27, 2019 was to seek public input into locations for cannabis, cannabis-related retail and production.





Deputy Mayor Baryluk stated that Councillor Wainman had previously expressed serious concern about having cannabis located in the downtown core as proposed in the amendment. He expressed that he had some of the same concerns and that he would like to see it located outside of the main downtown core area (library to Igloo Church) but still within the downtown area. He added that he liked the fact that it was listed as a conditional use and would require Council's approval.

Councillor McBride stated that he agreed with a more visible location. Mayor Kulikowski stated that Councillor Wood had put out a public survey and that those who responded did not have an issue with the proposed by-law as written.

Councillor MacDonald stated that cannabis has been approved by the Federal government and that Council is discussing retail and production, not smoking locations. He stated that there are limitations on how a business can advertise and that children are not permitted to enter. He stated that if Council removes the downtown core, it would be limiting retail business in the community in an economic downturn. He added that he thought that some of the issues with the homeless population downtown were a bigger concern to children. Councillor Loreen agreed.

On Wednesday, Councillor Wainman requested that the exclusion distance from the school be increased to 190 metres from lot lines rather than property centre due to the fact that lot lines are easier to determine. He stated that he did not want to see cannabis retail or related businesses setting up in the downtown core at all.

Councillor Solotki inquired how expanding the exclusion distance from the school would affect setting up a business at the Perry Building. Mr. Joseph confirmed that extending the boundary would add the Perry Building to the exclusion zone. Councillor Solotki inquired if the entire downtown area would be included in the exclusion zone if the boundary was increased as Councillor Wainman requested. Mr. Joseph confirmed that it would. It was noted that the existing amendment as written did not include the exclusion zones. SAO Hood stated that Administration would have to change the wording if Council wished to include exclusion zones. He added that cannabis uses are listed as conditional uses and would require Council approval each time an application comes forward. It was noted that the only permitted zones for cannabis retail, cannabis related or cannabis manufacturing and production as conditional uses were under the core commercial, general commercial and light industrial zones.

Councillor MacDonald inquired if any of the public members present on Wednesday wished to come forward to provide input on the buffer zone. There was no response.

Moved by Councillor Wainman, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

**MOTION: 079/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby approves of incorporating buffer zones for cannabis retail, cannabis related and cannabis production and manufacturing facilities into the Zoning By-law 2583/P+D/15 as per the map showing exclusion zones presented at the March 27, 2019 regular council meeting."

Motion DEFEATED.



Councillor Loreen stated that he was in favour of having a buffer around the school area from the centre of the lot, but that moving the buffer to the edge of the lot would make the entire downtown area unavailable, which he was not in favour of.

Councillor MacDonald stated that he was opposed to instituting buffers as presented and that the arbitrary circular buffer cuts out specific sections of the downtown for businesses who have the legal right to set up. He repeated that there are Federal policies and regulations in place that forbid children from entering cannabis retail stores. He stated that he did not understand the concerns about cannabis sales. Councillor McBride stated that he was uncertain why a buffer zone would be required if every application would require Council approval.

Moved by Councillor Loreen, seconded by Councillor Wainman:

**MOTION: 080/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives **SECOND READING** to By-law 2623/P+D/18, a by-law to amend the Zoning By-law 2583/P+D/15."

Motion **CARRIED**.

9.4                      RFCD 2019-SAO-027 ~ By-law 2628/APP/19  
                              To Appoint an Acting Senior Administrative Officer

Moved by Councillor McBride, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

**MOTION: 081/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives **FIRST READING** to By-law 2628/APP/19, a by-law to appoint an acting Senior Administrative Officer."

Motion **CARRIED**.

Moved by Councillor Loreen, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

**MOTION: 082/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives **SECOND READING** to By-law 2628/APP/19, a by-law to appoint an acting Senior Administrative Officer."

Motion **CARRIED**.

9.5                      RFCD 2019-SAO-028 ~ By-law 2629/H&S/19 ~ To Regulate Smoking in Public Places

It was noted that definitions for public place and vaping were included in the proposed by-law. Councillor MacDonald wished to discuss including a provision prohibiting smoking on sidewalks in the downtown core, stating that he did not believe those areas could be counted under the definition of public place. Mayor Kulikowski stated that the WSCC specifies smoking distances. SAO Hood stated that Administration would



need to determine if sidewalks were on private property and if so, the Town would have no jurisdiction.

Deputy Mayor Baryluk suggested that Council discuss installing smoking shelters downtown and/or partnering with downtown businesses to locate them on private properties. He mentioned that discarded cigarettes are a litter and environmental problem that he wished the Town could do more about.

Councillor Mero inquired if the Town would be regarded by the public as promoting smoking if it installed smoking shelters. Deputy Mayor Baryluk stated that encouraging people to use those facilities and to properly dispose of their discarded cigarettes would assist with enhancing and revitalizing the downtown core. He added that the more convenient something is, the greater the probability of people using it.

Mayor Kulikowski stated that the idea of striking an environmental stewardship committee was brought up and that it could be tasked with looking at the smoking shelter suggestion.

Administration was asked to confirm the smoking distance from properties and building entrances.

Moved by Councillor Solotki, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

**MOTION: 083/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives FIRST READING to By-law 2629/H&S/19, a by-law to regulate smoking in public places."

Motion CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Solotki, seconded by Councillor McBride:

**MOTION: 084/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives SECOND READING to By-law 2629/H&S/19, a by-law to regulate smoking in public places."

Motion CARRIED.

9.6 RFCD 2019-SAO-029 ~ By-law 2630/L+P/19 ~ Business Licence By-law

Moved by Councillor Loreen, seconded by Councillor Wood:

**MOTION: 085/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives FIRST READING to By-law 2630/L+P/19, the business licence by-law."

Motion CARRIED.



Moved by Councillor Wood, seconded by Councillor Loreen:

**MOTION: 086/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives **SECOND READING** to By-law 2630/L+P/19, the business licence by-law."

Motion **CARRIED**.

**9.7** RFCD 2019-SAO-033 ~ By-law 2631/GEN/19 ~ To Repeal By-laws no Longer in Effect

Moved by Councillor McBride, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

**MOTION: 087/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives **FIRST READING** to By-law 2631/GEN/19, a by-law to repeal a number of by-laws which no longer have any force or effect."

Motion **CARRIED**.

Moved by Councillor MacDonald, seconded by Councillor Loreen:

**MOTION: 088/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives **SECOND READING** to By-law 2631/GEN/19, a by-law to repeal a number of by-laws which no longer have any force or effect."

Motion **CARRIED**.

**9.8** RFCD 2019-SAO-035 ~ By-law 2632/TR/19 ~ All-terrain Vehicles By-law

Moved by Councillor Wood, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

**MOTION: 089/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives **FIRST READING** to By-law 2632/TR/19, the all-terrain vehicles by-law."

Motion **CARRIED**.

Moved by Councillor McBride, seconded by Councillor Loreen:

**MOTION: 090/03/19** "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives **SECOND READING** to By-law 2632/TR/19, the all-terrain vehicles by-law."

Motion **CARRIED**.

**Item # 10** **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**

There were no reports.



Item # 11                    **INFORMATION ITEMS**

11.1                    Strategic Priorities Chart

Council noted the document. For information only.

11.2                    Aurora Research Institute Research Notifications

Council noted the document. For information only.

Item # 12                    **COUNCIL CONCERNS**

12.1                    Committee of the Whole Meeting

Metal Grating

Councillor Mero expressed a concern from a resident about canes slipping through the holes in the metal grating that is on stairs and entrances all over town and inquired if the Town had a by-law or rules stipulating the size of grating. SAO Hood stated that he was not aware of any regulations. Councillor MacDonald suggested that the resident look into getting a larger replacement stopper for the bottom of the cane that would not slip through the grating.

Town Office Siding

Councillor MacDonald inquired if there was a plan to refurbish the outside of the Town Office, in particular a rotting section on the front of the building. SAO Hood stated that staff has been looking into repairs and cleaning.

12.2                    Regular Council Meeting

Single Use Bag Ban By-law

Councillor Solotki stated that the single use bag ban by-law was recently repealed but that the reasons why were not communicated to residents. She stated that she had received comments from community members who were discouraged to see the Town repealing the by-law. Mayor Kulikowski stated that when the GNWT's bag fee was introduced, the by-law was no longer needed and in order to make it inactive, it had to be repealed. She added that repealing the by-law allows the Town to discuss new environmentally responsible approaches. Councillor Solotki requested that the Town reassure the public that it intends to work towards new initiatives.

Buffer Zone for Cannabis and Cannabis-related Retail Sales

Councillor Wainman was vehemently opposed to not having a buffer zone around the school for the protection and well-being of the community's children. He expressed his extreme disappointment in his fellow councillors' decision to defeat the motion to



institute a buffer zone and left the meeting. Councillor MacDonald took offence to the comments, stating that the motion was discussed and voted on.

**Item #13                    IN CAMERA ITEMS**

There were no items to be discussed in camera.


**Item # 14                    ADJOURNMENT**


The committee of the whole meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Wood:

**MOTION: 091/03/19    "THAT the regular council meeting be adjourned at 7:54 p.m."**

**MINUTES APPROVED THIS 10<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2019 BY MOTION #096/04/19**

  
MAYOR

  
SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER