

MINUTES
TOWN OF INUVIK ~ COMBINED COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AND REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON APRIL 10, 2019
AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Present: Mayor Natasha Kulikowski
Councillor Paul MacDonald
Councillor Dez Loreen (via teleconference)
Councillor Alana Mero
Councillor Gary McBride
Councillor Ray Solotki
Councillor Clarence Wood

Absent: Deputy Mayor Steven Baryluk (with notice)
Councillor Kurt Wainman
Youth Representative Kaidynce Storr

Staff Present: Grant Hood, Senior Administrative Officer
Stephanie Sutton, Council Administrator
Cynthia Hammond, Director of Protective Services
Jackie Challis, Director of Tourism & Economic Development
Lise Saumur, Director of Community Services
Matt Hogan, Municipal Enforcement Peace Officer
Aaron Waighorn, Municipal Enforcement Peace Officer
Kecil Joseph, Development Officer

Media Present: Inuvik Drum

Item # 1 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kulikowski called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Item # 2 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Wood, seconded by Councillor McBride:

MOTION: 095/04/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby adopts the agenda with the following noted addition: Item 8.6 ~ Appointment of Replacement Council Member to 2019 Municipal Board of Revision."

Motion CARRIED.

Item # 3 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST OR PECUNIARY INTEREST

Mayor Kulikowski declared a conflict of interest on Item 8.5.



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

There were no delegations, presentations or petitions.

Item # 5 **PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

There were no questions.

Item # 6 **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

6.1 Minutes of the March 25 and 27, 2019 Council Meetings

One grammatical error was noted.

Moved by Councillor Mero, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

MOTION: 096/04/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby adopts the minutes of the March 25 and 27, 2019 Council meetings as amended."

Motion **CARRIED**.

6.2 Minutes of the March 27, 2019 Public Hearing

Moved by Councillor MacDonald, seconded by Councillor Solotki:

MOTION: 097/04/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby adopts the minutes of the March 27, 2019 public hearing as presented."

Motion **CARRIED**.

6.3 Minutes of the April 1, 2019 Special Council Meeting

Councillor McBride stated that he had given prior notice of his absence.

Moved by Councillor MacDonald, seconded by Councillor Wood:

MOTION: 098/04/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby adopts the minutes of the April 1, 2019 special Council meeting as amended."

Motion **CARRIED**.



6.4 Minutes of the March 22, 2019 By-law Review Committee Meeting

Moved by Councillor Wood, seconded by Councillor Mero:

MOTION: 099/04/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby adopts the minutes of the March 22, 2019 by-law review committee meeting as presented."

Motion **CARRIED**.

Item # 7 **ACTION ITEMS**

7.1 Action Items List

Council noted the document.

Councillor Wood inquired if any progress had been made on Administration's research into the Inuvik Works program. SAO Hood stated that he had not had been able to locate anything, admitting that he had not had time to properly look into it and that the program was administered by the Inuvialuit Regional Corporation (IRC). He confirmed that he would be contacting IRC.

Councillor Solotki inquired if the owner of a property on Industrial Road had responded to the letter from the Town requesting that it be cleaned up. Officer Hogan advised that as of last Friday, charges were laid against an individual for abandoning two vehicles on the property, which the individual removed the next day. He also advised that Administration and Municipal Enforcement would be discussing an operational plan to deal with the property. He indicated that the owner has received a courtesy letter requesting him to clean up the property and that if he does not comply, the Town would issue a cleanup order under the unsightly land/ premises by-law giving him 15 days to comply.

Item # 8 **NEW BUSINESS**

8.1 RFCD 2019-SAO-036 ~ Adoption of Amendment to Fees and Charges Policy FM.021

Moved by Councillor MacDonald, seconded by Councillor Wood:

MOTION: 100/04/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby tables Item 8.1 until after Item 9.6 has been discussed."

Motion **CARRIED**.



Moved by Councillor Solotki, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

MOTION: 101/04/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby approves the amendments to the Fees and Charges Policy FM.021 Schedule A as presented."

Motion **CARRIED**.

8.2 RFCD 2019-SAO-037 ~ Water and Sewer Funding Contribution Agreement

Moved by Councillor Wood, seconded by Councillor Mero:

MOTION: 102/04/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby approves the Contribution Agreement with the Government of the Northwest Territories for Water and Sewer Funding in the amount of \$1,308,000.00."

Motion **CARRIED**.

8.3 RFCD 2019-SAO-038 ~ Community Public Infrastructure Funding Contribution Agreement

Moved by Councillor Wood, seconded by Councillor Mero:

MOTION: 103/04/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby approves the Contribution Agreement with the Government of the Northwest Territories for Community Public Infrastructure Funding in the amount of \$1,491,000.00."

Motion **CARRIED**.

8.4 RFCD 2019-SAO-039 ~ Operations & Maintenance Funding Contribution Agreement

Moved by Councillor MacDonald, seconded by Councillor Solotki:

MOTION: 104/04/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby approves the Contribution Agreement with the Government of the Northwest Territories for Operations and Maintenance Funding in the amount of \$2,627,000.00."

Motion **CARRIED**.

8.5 RFCD 2019-SAO-047 ~ Taxi Driver Request for Leave of Absence

Mayor Kulikowski declared a conflict of interest and left the chambers during discussion. In the absence of both the Deputy and Assistant Deputy Mayor, Council agreed that Councillor MacDonald should assume the chair.



Officer Hogan advised that United Taxi Car #28 did not comply with the February 28, 2019 taxi inspection and was given 45 days to comply by letter on March 8, 2019. He stated that if the driver does not comply, the licence becomes Town property. He confirmed that the driver contacted the Town advising that he was in Sudan dealing with family members' illnesses; that Western Arctic Business Development Corporation contacted the Town requesting a 3 month leave of absence on behalf of the driver; and, a doctor in Sudan contacted the Town to confirm a 1 month leave of absence for the driver to deal with the medical situation. Officer Hogan stated that the Town has received conflicting information about when the taxi driver last worked, with United Taxi dispatch logs showing no calls since September 4, 2018. He noted that drivers are permitted to receive personal calls on cell phones for service under the passenger transportation by-law and that United Taxi's owner confirmed that the driver was working on approximately December 28, 2018. Officer Hogan mentioned that he had contacted the driver by e-mail on April 9 requesting additional information but had not heard back.

In consultation with SAO Hood, Officer Hogan proposed a revised recommended motion regarding the leave of absence. He confirmed that the driver could have someone else bring the taxi in for inspection. It was noted that the taxi is currently not on the road.

Councillor Solotki inquired why it would be a problem for the taxi to be out of service for a month. Officer Hogan stated that he has received conflicting information on what the driver is asking for and pointed out that it appears the driver left town some time ago. It was noted that the Town has seen more requests for leaves of absence at the last minute when drivers are about to lose their permits. Officer Hogan mentioned that under the passenger transportation by-law, a driver must work 265/365 days and that if the driver has been off the road since December 28, 2019 as United Taxi has indicated, the total days out of service was 103. Councillor Wood stated that the rules exist for a reason and that there was no excuse not to have the vehicle inspected if another party is allowed to assist. It was noted that the driver has the right to appeal Council's decision if he disagrees with the conditions.

Moved by Councillor McBride, seconded by Councillor Solotki:

MOTION: 105/04/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby grants Hamid Osman a leave of absence from operating his taxi, United Taxi Car #28 from April 10, 2019 to April 30, 2019 provided:

1. That all requirements of the Passenger Transportation By-law 2577/L+P/15 pertaining to registration and renewal deadlines for the taxi owner/operator permit and vehicle permit are fulfilled during the leave of absence.
2. That if the Annual Inspection excluding a valid criminal records check is not completed by April 16, 2019, the leave of absence will be terminated."

Motion **CARRIED**.



8.6 RFCD 2019-SAO-048 ~ Appointment of Replacement Council Member to the 2019 Municipal Board of Revision

Moved by Councillor MacDonald, seconded by Councillor Solotki:

MOTION: 106/04/19 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 Councillor McBride to the 2019 Municipal Board of Revision to replace Councillor Solotki who was previously appointed, at an honorarium of \$100.00 per half day and \$150.00 per full day."

Motion CARRIED.

Item # 9 BYLAWS

9.1 RFCD 2019-SAO-040 ~ By-law 2622/P+D/18
To Amend Zoning By-law 2583/P+D/15 to Add Provisions for Voluntary Penalties

Moved by Councillor Mero, seconded by Councillor Wood:

MOTION: 107/04/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives THIRD AND FINAL READING to By-law 2622/P+D/18, a by-law to amend the Zoning By-law 2583/P+D/15."

Motion CARRIED.

9.2 RFCD 2019-SAO-041 ~ By-law 2628/APP/19 ~ To Appoint an Acting Senior Administrative Officer

Moved by Councillor Mero, seconded by Councillor McBride:

MOTION: 108/04/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives THIRD AND FINAL READING to By-law 2628/APP/19, a by-law to appoint an acting Senior Administrative Officer."

Motion CARRIED.

9.3 RFCD 2019-SAO-042 ~ By-law 2629/H&S/19 ~ To Regulate Smoking in Public Places

Moved by Councillor Mero, seconded by Councillor Solotki:

MOTION: 109/04/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives THIRD AND FINAL READING to By-law 2629/H&S/19, a by-law to regulate smoking in public places."

Motion CARRIED.



9.4 RFCD 2019-SAO-043 ~ By-law 2630/L+P/19 ~ Business Licence By-law

Moved by Councillor Wood, seconded by Councillor Mero:

MOTION: 110/04/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives **THIRD AND FINAL READING** to By-law 2630/L+P/19, the business licence by-law."

Motion **CARRIED**.

9.5 RFCD 2019-SAO-044 ~ By-law 2631/GEN/19 ~ To Repeal By-laws no Longer in Effect

Moved by Councillor Mero, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

MOTION: 111/04/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives **THIRD AND FINAL 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**.

9.6 RFCD 2019-SAO-045 ~ By-law 2632/TR/19 ~ All-terrain Vehicles By-law

Moved by Councillor Mero, seconded by Councillor MacDonald:

MOTION: 112/04/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives **THIRD AND FINAL READING** to By-law 2632/TR/19, the all-terrain vehicles by-law."

Motion **CARRIED**.

9.7 RFCD 2019-SAO-046 ~ By-law 2636/PS/19 ~ Firearms By-law

It was noted that the new proposed by-law gives GNWT Environment & Natural Resources officers the authority to discharge firearms within municipal boundaries which was not permitted under the existing by-law. It was noted that trapping within municipal boundaries is permitted but that use of a firearm while trapping within municipal boundaries is not. Discussion followed on whether or not the by-law would prohibit use of firearms at the airport for animal control purposes. Administration was asked to confirm.

Moved by Councillor MacDonald, seconded by Councillor Mero:

MOTION: 113/04/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives **FIRST READING** to By-law 2636/PS/19, the firearms by-law."

Motion **CARRIED**.



Moved by Councillor Mero, seconded by Councillor Wood:

MOTION: 114/04/19 “THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives SECOND READING to By-law 2636/PS/19, the firearms by-law.”

Motion CARRIED.

Item # 10

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

10.1 Planning and Development Department Report

Council noted the document.

10.2 Mayor's Report

Council noted the document. Mayor Kulikowski provided an update on her meetings with MP Michael McLeod, Senator Dawn Anderson, the RCMP, German members of parliament and the Arctic Energy Alliance. Topics included the satellite sites and licensing, arctic policy framework and Arctic Energy Alliance funding.

10.3 Senior Administrative Officer's Report

Council noted the document.

10.4 Capital Projects Report

Council noted the document.

10.5 Economic Development and Tourism Department Report

Council noted the document. Councillor Solotki commended department staff on their work in and around the community. Mayor Kulikowski stated that the Town is preparing a response to the Minister's letter regarding temporary food establishment permits for the Arctic Market.

10.6 Community Services Department Report

Council noted the document. Councillor Solotki mentioned that locked washrooms are problematic for squash players and that this has been brought to the attention of Midnight Sun Complex front desk staff several times. Director Saumur stated that the washrooms in the pool lobby are usually locked due to children causing mischief when they are left open. Councillor Solotki inquired about the pool staffing shortage and limited days for private pool rentals. Director Saumur stated that the pool supervisor is looking at increasing staffing and that pool rentals over the school spring break were limited due to staff shortages. She advised that the pool schedule currently allows two public rentals per week. With regards to staffing, SAO Hood mentioned that the Town is currently advertising for a one-year term lifeguard position and that selected



candidates from the last round of advertising declined offers of employment made to them. He also mentioned that one full-time lifeguard is currently on parental leave.

10.7 **Protective Services Department Report**

Council noted the document. It was mentioned that the RCMP is still investigating two arsons noted in the report.

Moved by Councillor MacDonald, seconded by Councillor Wood:

MOTION: 115/04/19 **"THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby adopts the following staff reports as presented: Item 10.1 ~ Planning and Development; Item 10.2 ~ Mayor's Report; Item 10.3 ~ Senior Administrative Officer's Report; Item 10.4 ~ Capital Projects Report; Item 10.5 ~ Economic Development and Tourism Report; Item 10.6 ~ Community Services Report; and, Item 10.7 ~ Protective Services Report."**

Motion **CARRIED**.

Item # 11 **INFORMATION ITEMS**

11.1 **Strategic Priorities Chart**

Council noted the document and pointed out that it requires updating. SAO Hood stated that Directors will be reviewing their parts at the next Directors' meeting.

Item # 12 **COUNCIL CONCERNS**

12.1 **Drainage Near Our Lady of Victory Church**

Councillor McBride noted that runoff from the snow piled near the Children First Centre is affecting the church's property. SAO Hood confirmed that there have been some changes around the church that may be affecting drainage and that staff would be providing the church with the Town's drainage plan as requested.

Item #13 **IN CAMERA ITEMS**

There were no items to be discussed in camera.

Item # 14 **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor Mero:

MOTION: 116/04/19 **"THAT the regular council meeting be adjourned at 7:55 p.m."**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be a stylized 'P' followed by a checkmark or similar flourish.

MINUTES APPROVED THIS 24TH DAY OF APRIL, 2019 BY MOTION #118/04/19



MAYOR



SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER