

MINUTES
TOWN OF INUVIK ~ COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AND REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS
HELD ON JULY 8 AND 10, 2019
AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Present:

Mayor:	Natasha Kulikowski	Natasha Kulikowski
Councillors:	Gary McBride (via teleconference)	Dez Loreen
	Ray Solotki	Gary McBride (via teleconference)
	Kurt Wainman	Ray Solotki
	Clarence Wood	Clarence Wood

Absent:

Deputy Mayor Steven Baryluk (both meetings, with notice)
Councillor Dez Loreen (with notice on Monday)
Councillor Paul MacDonald (both meetings, with notice)
Councillor Alana Mero (both meetings, with notice)
Councillor Kurt Wainman (on Wednesday)

Staff Present:

Grant Hood, Senior Administrative Officer (both meetings)
Cynthia Hammond, Director of Protective Services (on Monday)
Jackie Challis, Director of Tourism & Economic Development (on Monday)
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 (on Monday)
Rick Campbell, Director of Public Services (on Monday)
Nicole Cherniwchan, Director of Finance (both meetings)

Others Present:

Sean Whitcomb (both meetings), Matt Millett (both meetings), Cpl Olena Newmen (on Monday)

Media Present:

CBC (on Monday)

Item # 1

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kulikowski called both meetings to order at 7:00 p.m.

Item # 2

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Solotki, seconded by Councillor McBride:

MOTION: 178/07/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby adopts the agenda as presented."

Motion **CARRIED**.



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

Councillor Solotki declared a conflict of interest with items 8.1, 8.3 and 9.5.

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

4.1 RCMP Report

Cpl Newmen gave an overview of the report for the month of June. She noted that members attended several events in the community during the month. Notable occurrences included another seizure of crack cocaine and damage to the Children First Centre's solar panels, which is still under investigation. Mayor Kulikowski stated that the Town appreciated the detachment's efforts with respect to drug enforcement and would continue to promote the Crime Stoppers anonymous tips line.

Item # 5 **PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

There were no questions.

Item # 6 **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

6.1 Minutes of the June 24 and 26, 2019 Council Meetings

Moved by Councillor Wood, seconded by Councillor Loreen:

MOTION: 179/07/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby adopts the minutes of the June 24 and 26, 2019 council meetings as presented."

Motion **CARRIED**.

6.2 Minutes of the June 27, 2019 Special Council Meeting

Moved by Councillor Solotki, seconded by Councillor Loreen:

MOTION: 180/07/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby adopts the minutes of the June 27, 2019 council meeting as presented."

Motion **CARRIED**.



Item # 7

ACTION ITEMS

7.1

Action Items List

On Monday, Mayor Kulikowski noted the responses she had received from the GNWT that were circulated to Council pertaining to temporary food establishment permits and replacement of the fields that were promised to the Town. She expressed that she would continue to lobby the GNWT as well as those running for office this fall to get the fields completed. She pointed out that the response regarding changes to temporary food establishment permit approvals was positive and would allow our vendors to participate in all Town community markets throughout the year. Mayor Kulikowski stated that she would continue communicating with various parties about re-establishing a military base in Inuvik and suggested removing it from the action items list at this time.

Item # 8

NEW BUSINESS

8.1

RFCD 2019-SAO-072 ~ Amendments to Fees & Charges Policy FM.021 Schedule A

Discussion took place after item 9.5 on the agenda.

Moved by Councillor Loreen, seconded by Councillor Solotki:

MOTION: 181/07/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby lays the approval of amendments to the Fees and Charges Policy FM.021 Schedule A on the table until after Item 9.5 has been discussed."

Motion **CARRIED**.

8.2

RFCD 2019-SAO-073 ~ Updated Strategic Priorities Chart

Mayor Kulikowski noted that another item to replace the recently completed cannabis by-law amendment would need to be chosen as a priority. On Monday, it was agreed to move up the options for derelict buildings. SAO Hood advised that all 3 of Council's upcoming priorities – tourism strategy, derelict buildings, and environmental practices review – would require a few months for staff to compile some options to present to Council. He stated that options for derelict buildings would involve a legal component as well.

Moved by Councillor Loreen, seconded by Councillor Wood:

MOTION: 182/07/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby approves the revised Strategic Priorities Chart as presented."

Motion **CARRIED**.



8.3 RFCD 2019-SAO-074 ~ Lottery Regulations Policy

Discussion took place after item 9.5 on the agenda.

Moved by Councillor Wood, seconded by Councillor Loreen:

MOTION: 183/07/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby lays the approval of Lottery Regulations Policy MG.009 on the table until after Item 9.5 has been discussed."

Motion CARRIED.

Item # 9 **BYLAWS**

9.1 RFCD 2019-SAO-075 ~ By-law 2633/TR/19 ~ Highway Traffic By-law

Moved by Councillor Wood, seconded by Councillor Loreen:

MOTION: 184/07/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives THIRD AND FINAL READING to By-law 2633/TR/19, the Highway Traffic By-law."

Motion CARRIED.

9.2 RFCD 2019-SAO-076 ~ By-law 2634/PS/19 ~ Noise By-law

Moved by Councillor Solotki, seconded by Councillor Wood:

MOTION: 185/07/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives THIRD AND FINAL READING to By-law 2634/PS/19, the Noise By-law."

Motion CARRIED.

9.3 RFCD 2019-SAO-077 ~ By-law 2635/AC/19 ~ Responsible Pet Ownership By-law

Moved by Councillor Solotki, seconded by Councillor Wood:

MOTION: 186/07/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives THIRD AND FINAL READING to By-law 2635/AC/19, the Responsible Pet Ownership By-law."

Motion CARRIED.



9.4 RFCD 2019-SAO-078 ~ By-law 2639/APP/19 ~ To Appoint a Director of Finance

Moved by Councillor Loreen, seconded by Councillor Solotki:

MOTION: 187/07/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives **THIRD AND FINAL READING** to By-law 2639/APP/19, a by-law to appoint a Director of Finance."

Motion **CARRIED**.

9.5 RFCD 2019-SAO-079 ~ By-law 2627/LOTT/19 ~ To Adopt a Lottery Regulations Policy

Councillor Solotki declared a conflict of interest and left the chambers on Wednesday.

Moved by Councillor Wood, seconded by Councillor Loreen:

MOTION: 188/07/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby gives **THIRD AND FINAL READING** to By-law 2627/LOTT/19, a by-law to adopt a Lottery Regulations Policy."

Motion **CARRIED**.

Moved by Councillor Loreen, seconded by Councillor McBride:

MOTION: 189/07/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby moves to take from the table the resolution to approve the Lottery Regulations Policy MG.009."

Motion **CARRIED**.

A few minor typographical errors in the document were noted and corrected on Monday. Inuvik Legion McInnes Branch representatives Matt Millett and Sean Whitcomb were invited to the table to discuss their concerns with the proposed new regulations. Mr. Millett inquired what "charitable objectives and purposes" meant, noting that the legion currently deposits its chase the ace funds into its general account and uses some funds to pay bills, wages, purchase supplies, etc. SAO Hood stated that he interpreted it to mean something that benefits the community.

Mayor Kulikowski inquired about using funds for building improvements. Mr. Whitcomb noted that clause 4.4 (b) permits a charitable organization to apply up to 50% of its lottery proceeds to a building fund, but states nothing about applying it to day-to-day operating costs. SAO Hood stated that a good portion of the regulations were based on GNWT lottery regulations and that historically, lottery proceeds have been donated back to community organizations. He stated that the proposed chase the ace regulations were less stringent than other NWT communities in that they allow multiple chase the ace events to take place simultaneously.



Mr. Whitcomb inquired if keeping the legion's doors open would be considered a benefit to the community. SAO Hood indicated that this decision would be up to Council. In response to Mr. Whitcomb's question on a timeline for this decision, Mayor Kulikowski stated that she did not foresee Council instructing the lottery committee to reject a chase the ace event for the legion, unless some significant rules were broken. She stated that although chase the ace games have been unlicensed in the community, the legion has been open about its practices.

Councillor McBride stated that historically, the legion has supported a lot of community events and families. Councillor Wood agreed that the legion provides a great deal of support for the community. Councillor Solotki stated that some of the lottery regulations concerning how lottery proceeds could be spent were very clear and inquired how the new regulations would affect the legion should it be told it could not use lottery funds for legion expenses. Mr. Millett stated that it would have made a much bigger difference 8 years ago when the legion was experiencing significant financial hardship, and that although it would leave finances tight today if implemented, the legion could face closing its doors in the future if the situation changes. Mayor Kulikowski stated that some of the legion's lottery funds are used for community events and legion activities and not just for operations and wages. Mr. Millett confirmed that lottery proceeds are deposited into the legion's general account and dispensed according to legion by-laws to pay bills, wages and for community events. He inquired if the legion would be required to open a separate bank account for lottery proceeds only. SAO Hood stated that the regulations allow organizations to apply in writing to the Town to approve use of one bank account given that some organizations are small. Mayor Kulikowski stated that the key component was keeping separate lottery records and accounting.

Discussion followed on the allocation percentages of lottery proceeds as per section 17.5. Mr. Millett advised that the legion currently allocates proceeds equally among the building jackpot, the licensee and the winner. He added that he was not completely certain that the legion's membership would be in favour of changing this practice to meet the regulations. SAO Hood stated that it would be up to Council to decide if it wished to vary the allocation percentages and that the percentages were based on research from other organizations. He recommended that should Council wish to change the wording, that minimum percentages be clearly set out in the regulations. Councillor McBride suggested including some wording to allow organizations to apply to the Town for a variance on the percentages.

SAO Hood suggested including wording specifically referencing the legion to provide an exemption from certain regulations. Mayor Kulikowski and Mr. Millett stated that they were both under the impression that the legion did not fall under the Town's lottery regulations due to it being a private club. SAO Hood confirmed that the only regulations in the policy pertaining to clubs were 50/50 raffles. It was noted that the legion does apply for other lotteries as required under the regulations but that chase the ace has not been included in those regulations up to this point. It was also noted that clause 16.13 pertaining to not requiring a licence related only to 50/50 raffles and that specific rules must be followed for those types of events.

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Mr. Whitcomb noted that s. 17.8 prohibiting persons directly assisting with chase the ace lotteries from participating as players would directly affect the legion's ability to recruit volunteer ticket sellers and requested that this be reconsidered. SAO Hood pointed out that directly assisting referred to the person drawing the winning ticket. He added that chase the ace regulations would apply to other organizations as well as the legion.

SAO Hood inquired if Council wished to make any changes to the wording in the document pertaining to exclusions for the legion. Councillor Solotki stated that singling out the legion would open the door for others to request exclusions for their lotteries. Mr. Millett confirmed that the legion was a non-profit organization. SAO Hood stated that he interpreted the legion as a charitable organization defined in the regulations, specifically "a charitable organization that performs services for the public good or welfare without profit and includes any organization designated by the Town". He suggested looking at the wording around use of lottery funds and agreed that setting a precedent as Councillor Solotki mentioned would be a concern. Councillor Solotki inquired if wording could be clarified to include basic rules that could be altered at Council's discretion. SAO Hood stated that he would need to review GNWT legislation to ensure that the Town's wording does not conflict. Mr. Millett stated that the legion would support having to include more information on an application form rather than having special treatment for the legion written directly into the regulations.

On Wednesday, Mayor Kulikowski noted correspondence received from the legion about the proposed lottery regulations policy as well as noting a typographical error under the section on blackjack rules. SAO Hood stated that he had spoken with GNWT representatives who suggested the Town review the City of Yellowknife's lottery by-law as it pertains to private clubs. He also provided Council with some suggested wording to include a definition of "member-oriented purpose" and to add the following paragraph to s. 17.5 to cover how proceeds are allocated: "The split proceeds from the sale of tickets may be modified upon prior written approval of the Senior Administrative Officer. The percentages to be remitted to the winner, the jackpot, and the Licensee shall be clearly posted at the point of any ticket sales."

Mayor Kulikowski thanked legion representatives for attending.

Moved by Councillor Wood, seconded by Councillor McBride:

MOTION: 190/07/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby approves the amendments to the Lottery Regulations Policy MG.009."

Motion CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Wood, seconded by Councillor Loreen:

MOTION: 191/07/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby approves the Lottery Regulations Policy MG.009 as amended."

Motion CARRIED.



Moved by Councillor Loreen, seconded by Councillor Wood:

MOTION: 192/07/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby approves amendments to the Fees and Charges Policy FM.021 Schedule A as presented."

Motion **CARRIED**.

Councillor Solotki returned to the chambers.

Item # 10 **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**

10.1 Senior Administrative Officer's Report

Councillor Wood noted that SAO Hood had given an excellent presentation to the GNWT standing committee on economic development.

10.2 Capital Projects Report

Council noted the document. There were no questions, comments or concerns.

10.3 Community Services Department Report

Council noted the document. There were no questions, comments or concerns.

10.4 Planning and Development Department Report

Council noted the document. There were no questions, comments or concerns.

10.5 Public Works Department Report

Council noted the document. There were no questions, comments or concerns.

10.6 Protective Services Department Report

Council noted the document. There were no questions, comments or concerns.

Moved by Councillor Loreen, seconded by Councillor Wood:

MOTION: 193/07/19 "THAT Inuvik Town Council hereby adopts the following staff reports as presented: Item 10.1 ~ Senior Administrative Officer's Report; Item 10.2 ~ Capital Projects Report; Item 10.3 ~ Community Services Report; Item 10.4 ~ Planning and Development Report; Item 10.5 ~ Public Works Report; and, Item 10.6 ~ Protective Services Report."

Motion **CARRIED**.



Item # 11 **INFORMATION ITEMS**

11.1 Aurora Research Institute – Research Notifications

Council noted the document. For information only.

Item # 12 **COUNCIL CONCERNS**

12.1 Committee of the Whole Meeting

Councillor Solotki stated that greenhouse visitors' comments about the kiosk building have been very positive this summer, but that most of them have thought it was a baseball dugout due of lack of signage. She recommended installing signage clearly identifying the building as a Town information kiosk. Mayor Kulikowski stated that the mural facilitator ordered signage from the ACTMC and was waiting on reproduction of the Town's logo. Upon being requested to clarify details, Director Challis stated that she agreed with Councillor Solotki's comments about needing signage, and noted that part of the agreement with the mural's facilitator was his promise to include the Town's logo and Town of Inuvik Community Kiosk on all 4 sides of the building as part of the mural project, which was not completed. She advised that the facilitator was working on an alternative and added that the Town had already ordered sandwich style boards to help with wayfinding.

Mayor Kulikowski noted that the funeral for the late Emma Dick was scheduled for Wednesday, July 10 at 3:00 p.m. at East Three School.

12.2 Regular Council Meeting

Councillor Wood commended municipal enforcement on its dog drop-off point, noting that he had received many positive comments about it.

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 7:46 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Loreen:

MOTION: 194/07/19 "THAT the regular council meeting be adjourned at 7:17 p.m."



MINUTES APPROVED THIS 14TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2019 BY MOTION #196/08/19



MAYOR



SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER