



**The Corporation of the Municipality of Rankin Inlet
Regular Council Meeting – No. 02-21
MINUTES
Monday, February 8, 2021
1:30 P.M**

Present:

Mayor: Harry Towtongie

Deputy Mayor: Martha Hickes

Councillors: Lynn Rudd, Michael Shouldice, Tommy Makkigak, Danny Kowmuk, Kelly Lindell, Justin Merritt

Absent: Gabriel Karlik

Staff: SAO Darren Flynn, Admin Officer Ashley Ymana, Interpreter Mary Rose Angoshadlak

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Towtongie recognized a quorum and called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm Deputy Mayor Hickes led the opening prayer.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Res. No.: 010-21

Moved by: D. Kowmuk

Seconded by: L. Rudd

BE IT RESOLVED THAT : The agenda is approved as presented.

“Carried Unanimously”

3. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST - None

4. DELEGATIONS AND HEARINGS

a) Rankin Inlet Healing Facility Update

- John Ussak, Kim Tattuinee, and David Lowe attended the meeting. John introduced the team and their role at the RIHF. He briefly discussed about the staffing; they have approximately 70 employees and 50 of them are beneficiaries.

- He also summarized the restricted programs they have are running at the moment. They have the following programs:
 - Counselling Sessions
 - Addictions Programs
 - Spousal Abuse/Anger Management Program
 - Land Skills Programs
 - Soap Stone carving and traditional making program
 - Summer Work Program
 - Pilimmaksarniq Education Program
 - Carpentry Workshop

b) Agnico Eagle Mines

- Suzanne LeCLaire attended the meeting and answered some issues with the Council. She focused on discussing about the Nunavutmiut Returning to work and the up coming NIRB meeting regarding Saline Discharge. AEM has been working closely with GN to ensure that they are following all protocols and restrictions. To date, they haven't got a word from GN about the "return to work" mandate for Nunavutmiut. AEM were told by the GN that they might be able to have Nunavutmiut to return to work by summer 2021.
- Suzanne informed the Council that their Saline Discharge report was written in plain language so it would be easy to understand and to avoid misinterpretation of the contents specially with the Elderly audience. She also discussed briefly about the No Hunting mandate within 1 mile from the road. She and her team will meet with Hunters, Trappers Organization (HTO) to discuss about this issue. Andrew Akerolik and Sam Alagalak will be attending on behalf of HTO board members.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of January 11, 2021

Res. No.: 011-21

Moved by: L. Rudd

Seconded by: M. Shouldice

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Minutes of January 11, 2021 is approved as presented.

"Carried Unanimously"

6. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

a) December 31, 2020 Financial Statement

- Coucillor Merrit presented the financial statement

Res. No.: 012-21

Moved by: J. Merritt

Seconded by: M. Shouldice

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: To approve the December 31, 2020 Financial statement as presented.

"Carried Unanimously"

b) Crowe MacKay Auditor Appointment

- Councillor Merritt presented the quotation from Crowe MacKay to do the 2020-2021 year end audit.

Res. No.: 013-21

Moved by: J.Merritt

Seconded by: M. Hickes

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: To approve Crowe MacKay quotation for 2020-2021 year end audit.

“Carried Unanimously”

7. CORRESPONDENCE

a) Beer and Wine Store Update

- An email from Daniel Young was presented to the Council for the Beer and Wine update. Tender for the building construction has been posted. Timelines to be determine upon awarding of the bids.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Finance Committee

- Councillor Merritt reported to the Council about the items that were discussed during their finance committee meeting. He stated that there are an increased with budget for the Nunavut Airports. The new budget for the next fiscal year will enable the Hamlet to hire additional airport personnel. Committee will report back to the Council when contract is finalized.
- Municipal Core funding for 2021-2022 is \$2,400,060; \$350,000 for Water and Sewarge Program, \$104,670 for mobile equipment fund and \$90,006 Lands Officer salary.

Res. No.: 014-21

Moved by: J.Merritt

Seconded by: M. Shouldice

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: To accept the 2021-2022 Municipal Core Funding from Community Government and Services.

“Carried Unanimously”

- Second Voucher will be distributed on February 13, 2021. Will inform the public.
- Food Security remaining funds will be distributed later on.
- Union negotiation will take place some time in August 2021 or on later date. SAO, Councillor Merritt and another Council member will take part of the negotiation.

b) Recreation Committee

- Rec Director David Clark reported about the rec meeting they had last week. David is asking for Council support for his application for \$20,000 funding through Sports and Rec. The money will be used for new playground at the Drop in center.

Res. No.: 015-21

Moved by: J.Merritt

Seconded by: M. Hickes

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: To approve application for \$20,000 funding through Sport and Rec.

“Carried Unanimously”

- 2021-2022 Sport and Rec Annual funding to support all rec projects throughout the year. Council motion is needed to support the funding application.

Res. No.: 016-21

Moved by: M. Hickes

Seconded by: M. Shouldice

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: To support the application for 2021-2022 Annual funding through Sport and Rec.

“Carried Unanimously”

- Councillor Merritt reported about the GN warranty issues. Stantec will come to Rankin to do inspection at the new arena. Deputy Mayor Hickes will join the inspection.
- Second floor drawings above the lobby arena was awarded for \$20,000.
- New equipment for the Radio station has been purchased. Tower is needed to be installed in order for the new equipment to work properly. A tech guy from Ontario will be coming to help set up the new equipment. Three days before setting up the equipment, radio station must shut down for three days to clear things out in the station. It will be approximately 7-10 days to install the new equipment.
- David had submitted applications through Heathy Horizon requesting funds for Summer day camp for food and staffing and also for Hockey camp for food distribution for the kids.
- Pakallak Tyme- Rec committee will meet again sometime next month to evaluate the event.
- RPLAN is putting a day camp leadership program and Hamlet had sent an application to send our day camp staff to Iqaluit for training.
- 50 people capacity is strictly being followed by the rec in both Rec hall and new arena. David is happy that the community are following the restrictions. He have been in contact with the GN to ensure guidelines are to date. Councillor Merritt commends James Sandy about the live stream for the tournaments.
- David is looking at finding details to acquire a battery operated transmitter to be used for when the radio station is to shut down. The transmitter will be used to broadcast the tournaments or events.

c) Lands Committee

1. Municipal land application

- Nunavut Housing Association Lots 117 and 124 Block 7 Plan 4444

Res. No.: 017-21

Moved by: M. Hickes

Seconded by: M. Shouldice

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: To approve the Municipal Land Application on Lots 117 and 124 Block 7 Plan 4444.

“Carried Unanimously”

- Canadrill Ltd. on Lots 77 and 85 Block 7 Plan 4444

Res. No.: 018-21

Moved by: J. Merritt

Seconded by: K. Lindell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: To approve Municipal Land Application of Canadrill Ltd. on Lot 77 and 85 Block 7 Plan 4444.

“Carried Unanimously”

2. Application for Development Permit

- Nunavut Housing 5-Plex on Lots 18 Block 7 Plan 4152 and Lot 76 Block 7 Plan 4444.

Res. No.: 019-21

Moved by: M. Hickes

Seconded by: D.Kowmuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: To approve Application for Development Permit of Nunavut Housing for 5-Plex on Lot 18 Block 7 Plan 4152 and Lot 76 Block 7 Plan 4444.

“Carried Unanimously”

-Richard Connelly on Lot 241 Plan 1282- **Differed item until the Lift Station upgrade project is completed**

- Government of Nunavut Elders Long Term Care Centre on Lot 850 Plan 3636

Res. No.: 020-21

Moved by: D. Kowmuk

Seconded by: K. Lindell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: To approve Application for Development Permit of Government of Nunavut for Long Term Care Centre on Lot 850 Plan 3636.

“Carried Unanimously”

3. Request to rescind motion 113-19

-Canadrill Ltd. is requesting to withdraw their Municipal Land Application on Lot 6,7,8, and 9 Block 9 Plan 4083.

Res. No.: 021-21

Moved by: M. Hickes

Seconded by: D.Kowmuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: To rescind the motion number 113-19.

“Carried Unanimously”

4. Memorandum of Understanding Area 5 Phase 3B
- MOU for Area 5 Phase 3B for the cost of \$3,001,208.60

Res. No.: 022-21

Moved by: J. Merritt

Seconded by: M. Hickes

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: To approve the MOU for \$3,001,208.06 to develop Area 5 Phase 3B

“Carried Unanimously”

5. Area 5 Phase 3B Development Cost rate
- Ashley provided the Area 5 Phase 3B Development cost breakdown. Total area and the MOU cost were used to calculate for the development cost. The total amount to be charge per square meter is \$146.74.

Res. No.: 023-21

Moved by: K.Lindell

Seconded by: L. Rudd

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: To approve the development cost of \$146.74 per square meter.

“Carried Unanimously”

6. R1 Conditional use
-Lands officer stated that maximum of 5 units are to be implimented to the new zoning bylaw for R1 zoned lots. This will allow NHC to apply for R1 lots to build 5 plexes without having to amend the bylaw. Asking to have a conditional use on R1 for 5 units per dwelling.

Res. No.: 024-21

Moved by: J. Merritt

Seconded by: D.Kowmuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: To approve the conditional use to build maximum of five units on R1.

“Carried Unanimously”

9. DEFERRED BUSINESS AND differed ITEMS – None

10. BY-LAWS

- a. By-law #313 Forgiveness of Debts (3rd Reading)

Res. No.: 025-21

Moved by: J. Merritt

Seconded by: M. Shouldice

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: To approve the third and final reading of the Bylaw No. 313 Forgiveness of Debts Bylaw.

“Carried Unanimously”

b. By-law #317 Enforcement Officer Appointment Meagan Netser

Res. No.: 026-21

Moved by: D. Kowmuk

Seconded by: M. Shouldice

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: to approve First Reading of By-law 317 appointing Enforcement Officer Meagan Netser.

“Carried Unanimously”

Res. No.: 027-21

Moved by: D. Kowmuk

Seconded by: M. Shouldice

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: to approve Second Reading of By-law 317 appointing Enforcement Officer Meagan Netser

11. OLD BUSINESS – None

12. NEW BUSINESS - None

13. MAYOR/COUNCILLOR/SAO REPORTS

SAO Report

- Vaccination for the second dose batch will be held from February 15-18, 2021 at the Rec hall.
- Second round of \$525 voucher distribution will be on Saturday, February 13, 2021.
- CEDO agreement has been signed by the SAO for \$21,000 for the second floor Arena project, and other Tourism brochures related expenditures.
- RFP for a new taxi license has been posted. Awarding will take place on the next council meeting; February 22, 2021.
- NIRB is holding a community consultation from Wednesday to Friday (February 10-12, 2021) at the Rec Hall. Mayor and Deputy Mayor will be attending the meeting.

Councillor Rudd

- She briefly discussed the following Community Wellness Programs:
 - Jan 18-23, 2021- Embrace life have fully funded the mitt making workshop. Alain Kabvitok was hired to host the program.
 - Jan. 25-29, 2021- Alice Ipkermerk was hired for the Slipper Making event.
 - Jan 31, 2021- Community Wellness committee first meeting, Pelagie Sharp from the Regional Wellness Division. Community Health committee and their role was also mentioned.
 - Training for Mentorship after school Program with Sheila Shweider
 - First Aid Training for all staff will be scheduled for this week and Fire Chief Wyatt will be leading the training.
 - Feb 5- Mar 1, 2021 Name and logo contest for an Inuktitut name for the Community Health and Wellness Committee has been posted.
 - Feb 14-21, 2021 Community Wellness training in Iqaluit for the Facilitator training Program that address abuse and family violence in Nunavut.

Councillor Merritt

- AEM topics should be limited during Council meetings. Hamlet can invite AEM for another meeting to discuss other topics.

- Asked for GAS tax application update. Asking if the SAO can contact Erin Everard to ask for an update with the application.
- Informed the Council about the news he read during his isolation in Winnipeg. The news article indicates the increase of the smokers in Nunavut. 74 percent of Nunavutmiut are smokers according to 2018 study compare to 60 percent back in 2013. Asking if the Hamlet can do something to help alleviate the concern and perhaps to search for a group who can look for funding to run a Tabacco program in schools.

Councillor Lindell

- Mentioned about the new stop signs near the Health Center seems to work. Lunch time congestion is not as bad anymore.
- Last weekend local hockey tournament for the kids went well.
- Local Hockey Players are happy to have their own local tournament.

Mayor Towntongie

- They (him and the SAO) haven't had a meeting with CPHO assuming that Rankin has been doing good lately.
- Wanted to know more about controlling the travel within Kivalliq from Minister Lorne Kusugak but since he was not able to attend the Council meeting, the Mayor will ask him directly.

14. IN-CAMERA - None

15. ADJOURNMENT

Res. No.: 028-21

Moved by: J.Merritt

Seconded by: K. Lindell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The meeting adjourn at 3:37 pm.



Mayor



Senior Administrative Officer