

**INCORPORATED HAMLET OF TUKTOYAKTUK
MINUTES FOR REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING #RCM19-21
7:00PM, Wednesday, October 20, 2021**

SWEARING IN OF COUNCILLOR CINDY LEGROW

1) CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Erwin Elias called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

2) RECOGNITION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Erwin Elias, Deputy-Mayor Jim Stevens, Councillors Tyrone Raddi, Ryan Yakeleya, Cindy LeGrow, Tianna Gordon-Ruben, Joe Nasogaluak.

Staff: ASAO Katrina Cockney

3) CONSENT OF COUNCIL TO EXCUSE ABSENCE OF MEMBER

Motion made by Councillor Ryan Yakeleya and seconded by Councillor Joe Nasogaluak that Council excuse Councillor Shawn Lundrigan and Ikalualuq from the October 20th Council meeting.

Motion# 231-21

Carried.

4) ADOPTION OF AGENDA

a) ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

- i. 8c (iii) Recreation Manager Report**
- ii. 8c (iv) Assistant Senior Administrative Officer Report**
- iii. 10 a (xiii) Letter to Calvin Pokiak RE: Blind Spots**
- iv. 11a (vi) Steven Elias- Livery Licence Application- For decision**

b) MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Jim Stevens and seconded by Councillor Tianna Gordon-Ruben that Council adopt the agenda with the noted additions.

Motion# 232-21

Carried.

5) DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST-As and when

6) DELEGATIONS

a) Dylan Carrie, Aurora College Instructor for Tuktoyaktuk

Mr. Carrie introduced himself to Council and informed them that he is the new Aurora College instructor. He's been here for 1 month now and will be continuing on with programming that was done prior to his arrival. He stated that there has been interest from the community on the adult basic education program as well as digital literacy for the elders.

Deputy Mayor Jim Stevens questioned if he will be teaching any of the courses.

Mr. Carrie informed Council that he will be teaching Math130 which is a Grade 7-9 and Science online.

Councillor Tyrone Raddi welcomed Mr. Carrie to the community and that he's happy to see the position filled. He informed Mr. Carrie that there are resources available to him through the Hamlet and Tuktoyaktuk Community Corporation to promote community programs.

Mayor Erwin Elias questioned how flexible Mr. Carrie is with the space at the college as previously there were community programs run out of the college.

Mr. Carrie advised Council that he will be working closely with the community on programming and that the Jason Jacobson Youth Centre has already approached him for space.

Mayor Erwin Elias welcomed Mr. Carrie to the community and informed him that the Hamlet looks forward to working with him in the future. He also offered our online resources and the local radio station should Mr. Carrie want to share any information with the community. He thanked Mr. Carrie for coming to the meeting to introduce himself to Council.

b) RCMP

Constable Emily Wright presented Council with the September policing report.

Deputy Mayor Jim Stevens stated that the numbers in the report are the same as last year until it gets to the total on the bottom of the report.

Constable Wright informed Council that she will look into the numbers.

Mayor Erwin Elias questioned if the RCMP can educate the community over the radio station to speak about ice safety.

Councillor Tyrone Raddi commended the RCMP on the great job they did handing out the sports equipment. He stated that our youth need guidance and it's good to see cooperation with the detachment.

Councillor Ryan Yakeleya questioned why there hasn't been anyone charged for bootlegging. He'd like to know if more pressure can be put on the known sellers.

Constable Wright informed Council that the RCMP require the community's involvement with making statements, testifying in court in order to lay any charges to these known bootleggers. She stated that if Council is aware of who these bootleggers are they can all come to the detachment to make a statement.

Mayor Erwin Elias stated that Tuk is a very close knit community and it's going to be pretty tough for someone to testify against their family. He questioned why no sting operation is being planned for Tuk like how they do these operations in Inuvik.

Constable Wright stated that in order to conduct an operation the RCMP would still need to present evidence with statements in order to get a search warrant approved by the judge.

Mayor Erwin Elias questioned if anonymous calls can be used to get a search warrant.

Constable Wright stated that they cannot use these anonymous calls for a search warrant but can use them as supporting evidence.

Mayor Erwin Elias stated that basically the community is left to solve the bootlegging issue.

Constable Wright stated that the RCMP does require cooperation from the community.

Mayor Erwin Elias questioned if the RCMP are still working with the Tuk Housing Association for calls for service to certain units.

Constable Wright stated that they have been working with Tuk housing and that there have been eviction notices given. She stated that they will continue to work closely with them.

Mayor Erwin Elias stated that when calling into the dispatch in Yellowknife it feels like you are being interrogated. He also stated that the response time for calls in a concern as well as there was an incident that happened in Reindeer Point and the response time was 2 hours before officers were on scene.

Constable Wright stated that calling into dispatch is something that happens right across Canada and it is due to the safety of the officers and the public to be better informed when responding to a call.

Mayor Erwin Elias thanked the RCMP for coming to the meeting.

7) ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

a) COMMITTEE

NIL

b) SPECIAL MEETING(S)

NIL

c) REGULAR MEETING(S)

i. RCM18-21 Oct 6

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Jim Stevens and seconded by Councillor Ryan Yakeleya that Council accept the RCM18-21 Oct 6 minutes as presented.

Motion# 233-21

Carried.

8) REPORTS

a) ANNOUNCEMENTS

- i.** Mayor Erwin Elias announced that the COVID-19 restrictions for indoors is set at 25 and maximum outdoors is set at 50. He also announced that we may be able to exceed these numbers for a dance for double vaccinated people only.

b) MAYOR'S REPORT

NIL

c) STAFF REPORTS

i. Municipal Works Manager

Councillor Ryan Yakeleya questioned if the fencing at the new solid waste site will be installed this year.

Mayor Erwin Elias informed Council that the new solid waste site was moved forward one year due to funding issues.

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Jim Stevens and seconded by Councillor Tyrone Raddi that Council accept the Municipal Works Manger report as presented.

Motion# 234-21

Carried.

Councillor Ryan Yakeleya stated that the new cemetery driveway looks good.

Mayor Erwin Elias informed Council that they will be doing work on the inside trail, marking plots, cutting willows etc at the new site. He suggested having a stockpile of gravel at the site for families to use.

ii. Fire Chief

Councillor Tyrone Raddi questioned if the Fire Chief can provide administration with an inventory of what is at the Fire hall so that we can budget for the equipment that is needed.

Mayor Erwin Elias directed administration to gather more information from the Fire Chief on what is at the Fire hall and what is going to expire so that Council has all the information needed to make a decision.

Motion made by Councillor Tyrone Raddi and seconded by Councillor Tianna Gordon-Ruben that Council accept the Fire Chief report as presented.

Motion# 235-21

Carried.

iii. Recreation Manager

Councillor Ryan Yakeleya questioned the plan for the Fitness centre as it hasn't been open in a while.

ASAO Katrina Cockney informed Council that the Municipal Works Manager and the Recreation Manager are searching for a supplier to replace the key fob entrance. She also informed them that we will be hiring casuals to man the Fitness centre so that membership can utilize the facility as there are many who still have an active membership. She also stated that they will be giving the users credit for the time the Fitness Centre closed.

Motion made by Councillor Joe Nasogaluak and seconded by Councillor Tianna Gordon-Ruben that Council accept the Recreation Manager report as presented.

Motion# 236-21

Carried.

iv. Assistant Senior Administrative Officer

Councillor Ryan Yakeleya stated that it's good to see pictures included in the report as it makes people feel appreciated.

Mayor Erwin Elias commended the ASAO and SAO for all they are doing. He stated that right now we are dealing with staff shortages and there's a lot of work that falls back onto them.

Motion made by Councillor Tyrone Raddi and seconded by Councillor Ryan Yakeleya that Council accept the Assistant Senior Administrative Officer report as presented.

Motion# 237-21

Carried.

9) BUSINESS ARISING (from)

a) DELEGATIONS

NIL

b) PREVIOUS MINUTES

NIL

10) OLD BUSINESS

a) CORRESPONDENCE: OUTGOING

- i. Letter to John Steen Jr RE: Development Permit- Information**
- ii. Letter to Shane Thompson RE: Requesting Emergency testing of wastewater in Tuktoyaktuk- information**
- iii. Letter to Ephraim Warren RE: Letter of appreciation- information**
- iv. Letter to Eunice Nasogaluak RE: Property Line and Road Allotment- Information**
- v. Letter to Jim Felix RE: Property Line and Road Allotment- Information**
- vi. Letter to Elders/Justice Committee RE: Waiving of fees and cancellation of bingos- Information**
- vii. Letter to Corporate Manager RE: Cancellation of bingos- information**
- viii. Letter to Josh McDonald RE: Letter of appreciation- information**
- ix. Letter to Shawn Lundrigan RE: Municipal contracted Services Extension Letter- information**
- x. Letter to Peter Louie Sr RE: Municipal Contracted Services Extension Letter- Information**
- xi. Letter to Erwin Elias RE: Municipal Contracted Services Extension Letter- Information**
- xii. Letter to Merle Carpenter, Regional Superintendent RE: Motor Vehicles services- Information**
- xiii. Letter to Calvin Pokiak RE: Blind Spots- Information**

All items above have been filed as information.

b) OTHER

NIL

11) NEW BUSINESS

a) CORRESPONDENCE: INCOMING

- i. Minister Shane Thompson- Reimbursement for COVID-19 Expenses- Information**
This item has been filed as information.
- ii. GNWT- Amended COVID-19 Vaccination Policy- Information**
This item has been filed as information.
- iii. Minister Shane Thompson- Letter of support for DMAF- information**
This item has been filed as information.
- iv. GNWT- COVID-19 Temporary orders to be extended- Information**
This item has been filed as information.

v. **NIC- Vaccine Update- Information**

Deputy Mayor Jim Stevens stated that the posting that went on our Hamlet Facebook about having 89% of the community vaccinated is misinformation as the numbers are incorrect. He stated that according to the COVID-19 dash board our numbers are only at 53% for double vaccinated people.

Mayor Erwin Elias stated that we will deal with the nurse in charge as that is where administration is getting their numbers from. He stated that he is at fault because he wanted that information posting right away. He stated that we will remove the post immediately and get accurate numbers.

vi. **Steven Elias- Livery Licence Application- For decision**

Motion made by Councillor Ryan Yakeleya and seconded by Councillor Joe Nasogaluak that Council approve the livery licence application from Steven Elias.

Motion# 238-21

Carried.

b) **LAND/DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS**

NIL

c) **OTHER**

NIL

12) **BYLAWS**

13) **COUNCIL CONCERNS/SUGGESTIONS**

a. **NOTICE OF MOTIONS**

NIL

b. **OTHER**

Mayor Erwin Elias declared a break at 8:50pm and returning 9:03pm

Mayor Erwin Elias advised Council to be more specific on your concerns that you raise as administration needs clear direction if you are just raising a concern, suggestion or want action done as it may require a motion.

i) Councillor Ryan Yakeleya made the following concern/suggestion:

- He questioned if the Hamlet has all the cement and Styrofoam from the ESSO site.
Mayor Erwin Elias stated that we do not have all the cement from the ESSO site but the Styrofoam is all stored in the four bay garage. He stated that for the distribution of the Styrofoam Council will need to figure out a process for distribution with a timeframe of when the Styrofoam should be used by so that we don't have piles of it laying outside people's houses for years.
- He questioned if the rate for sub-committee meetings can be increased.

Mayor Erwin Elias polled Council to see who is in favor of bringing this forward to the Bylaw Committee for review.

5 Councillor are in favor. Mayor Erwin Elias stated that this will be brought to the Bylaw Committee for review.

ii) Councillor Tianna Gordon-Ruben made the following concern/suggestion:

- She stated that kids have started sliding down the hill by Mangilaluk Loop and that it's very dark in that area. She questioned if the Hamlet would be able to install a light on the stretch on Mangilaluk Road as it's hard to see children when they are sliding.

Mayor Erwin Elias stated that there is a cost associated with installing new lights as the Hamlet does pay for every street light in the community. He stated that signage can be installed but as for the installation of a new light that would need to be brought to the Finance Committee for review. He stated that administration can go through the community to identify dark sections.

iii) Councillor Tyrone Raddi made the following concern/suggestion:

- He questioned if any discussions were had regarding all Hamlet staff being required to be fully vaccinated to work. He stated that even Councillors should be fully vaccinated.

Mayor Erwin Elias stated that we need to give notice to our employees regarding the vaccination requirements.

Councillor Tyrone Raddi stated that we should be contacting MACA to see what they have on this.

- He stated that foxes and other with animals with rabies are coming into town. He stated that there was an incident that occurred in Reindeer point where a dog was fighting with a fox and another incident where the fox killed a small pup. He'd like ENR contacted to see if the foxes can be destroyed if they are in the community and for the ENR officer to increase patrols when he is in the community.

iv) Councillor Joe Nasogaluak made the following concern/suggestion:

- He informed Council that there have been 3 loose dogs by the school
Mayor Erwin Elias directed administration to educate the community and inform them that we do have a Dog Officer until March 2022.

v) Mayor Erwin Elias made the following concern/suggestion:

- He questioned what's Council thoughts are in regards to renting out the "EDO" house or if they'd want it to be winterized. He stated that right now we're burning fuel and paying for power etc.

Deputy Mayor Jim Stevens stated that the "EDO" house is offered as a bonus to the position.

Councillor Ryan Yakeleya stated that we should be looking for suitable renters on a year lease and that if the house is going to be winterized that it's done professionally.

Councillor Tyrone Raddi stated that IDC and EGTL have some upcoming work in the community and that we'd need to discuss a rate should the Hamlet decide to rent this place to anyone.

Councillor Cindy LeGrow stated that the Health department is short 2 counsellors and a support worker and stated that they too are looking to house these much needed positions in the community.

Mayor Erwin Elias stated that we'd keep our options open for ourselves for future employees but for now we either get temporary renters or winterize the unit.

Deputy Mayor Jim Stevens stated that we should find out how well designed the house is for it to be winterized before we do anything.

Mayor Erwin Elias stated that we've identified the problem and that administration needs to be on top of things like this.

14) IN-CAMERA SESSION

Motion made by Councillor Tyrone Raddi and seconded by Councillor Cindy LeGrow that Council revert to an in-camera session at 9:32pm.

Motion# 239-21

Carried.

Motion made by Councillor Ryan Yakeleya and seconded by Councillor Tianna Gordon-Ruben that Council revert out of camera at 9:48pm.

Motion# 240-21

Carried.

15) ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Jim Stevens and seconded by Councillor Joe Nasogaluak that Council adjourn the meeting of October 20th, 2021 at 9:49pm.

Motion#241-21

Carried.

I hereby certify that these minutes have been made in accordance with the requirements of the *Hamlets Act* and the bylaws of the Hamlet of Tuktoyaktuk.



ASAO, Katrina Cockney



Mayor, Erwin Elias