

**INCORPORATED HAMLET OF TUKTOYAKTUK
MINUTES FOR REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING #RCM01-21
7:00PM, Wednesday, January 6, 2021**

**CHOOSING WHO WILL GET THE 4 SEATS FOR A 2 YEAR TERM AND 1 SEAT
FOR A 1 YEAR TERM
SWEARING IN OF NEW COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Jim Stevens volunteered to serve the one-year term.
Ryan Yakeleya, Tianna Gordon-Ruben, and Tyrone Raddi were sworn in for two year terms.

1) CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Erwin Elias called the meeting to order at 7:14pm

2) RECOGNITION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Erwin Elias, Deputy Mayor Jim Stevens, Councillors Tyrone Raddi, James Pokiak, Tianna Gordon-Ruben, Joe Nasogaluak, Ryan Yakeleya and Jeannie Gruben.

Staff: ASAO Katrina Cockney

3) CONSENT OF COUNCIL TO EXCUSE ABSENCE OF MEMBER

Councillor Shawn Lundrigan

4) ADOPTION OF AGENDA

a) ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA
NIL

b) MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA

Motion made by Councillor James Pokiak and seconded by Councillor Ryan Yakeleya that Council adopt the agenda as presented.

Motion# 001-21

Carried.

5) DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

As & When.

6) DELEGATIONS

NIL

7) ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

a) COMMITTEE
NIL

b) SPECIAL MEETING(S)
NIL

c) REGULAR MEETING(S)
NIL

8) REPORTS

- a) **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
NIL
- b) **MAYOR'S REPORT**
NIL
- c) **STAFF REPORTS**
NIL

9) BUSINESS ARISING (from)

- a) **DELEGATIONS**
NIL
- b) **PREVIOUS MINUTES**
NIL

10) OLD BUSINESS

- a) **CORRESPONDENCE: OUTGOING**
NIL
- b) **OTHER**
NIL

11) NEW BUSINESS

- a) **CORRESPONDENCE: INCOMING**
NIL
- b) **LAND/DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS**
NIL
- c) **OTHER**

- i) Appointment of Deputy-Mayor based on recommendation from the Mayor
Motion made by Councillor Ryan Yakeleya and seconded by Councillor Jeannie
Gruben to open nominations for Deputy Mayor.

Motion# 002-21

Carried.

Councillor Ryan Yakeleya nominated Jim Stevens for Deputy Mayor.

Jim Stevens accepted the nomination.

Motion made by Councillor Jeannie Gruben and seconded by Councillor Tyrone
Raddi to close nominations for Deputy Mayor.

Motion# 003-21

Carried.

- ii) **Appoint Standing Committees:**

(1) **Finance/Personnel Appeal Committee (5)**

Jim Stevens, Shawn Lundrigan, Tyrone Raddi, Tianna Gordon-Ruben and Jeannie
Gruben have been appointed to the Committee. Tyrone Raddi will serve as
Standing Chairperson

12) BYLAWS

NIL

13) COUNCIL CONCERNS/SUGGESTIONS

a) NOTICE OF MOTIONS

NIL

b) OTHER

Mayor Erwin Elias informed Council that they need to be clear on what they are bringing up in Council concerns. He stated that if you want to see action then a motion should be made.

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

- He congratulated all the new Council members and looks forward to working with you all.
- He stated that there is a 100-foot ice crossing from EGT to ESSO. He stated that there are crossings made for travellers.
Mayor Erwin Elias would like an announcement to go on our Facebook and be announced on the radio station.

ii) Councillor Jeannie Gruben made the following statement/concern/suggestion:

- She congratulated all the new Council members and looking forward to working with everyone.

iii) Deputy Mayor Jim Stevens made the following statement/concern/suggestion:

- He welcomed the new Councillors and stated that he is glad to be back after a few years off of Council.
- He stated that with the COVID19 vaccine there is information posted on Facebook but nothing posted around the community. He stated that the Hamlet is posting inconsistent information and he will ensure that postings are posted throughout the whole town.

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

- He congratulated the new Council members.
- He stated that a lot of times our concerns are put on the back burner and he'd like to see a list presented to Council with what has been done.
Mayor Erwin Elias directed administration to present the Council listing for all concerns in the meeting packages. He also reminded Council that there is a lot of demand in the office from the community and we need to understand that capacity in the office as well.

i) Councillor James Pokiak made the following statement/concern/suggestion:

- He welcomed the new Councillors and looking forward to another year.
- He stated that he was glad to see the Mayor respond to a social media post about how the Hamlet conducts our business as it came from another leader in our community.
- He'd like to know if a letter can be sent to NTPC to see if they can knock the snow from the poles.

ii) Councillor Tyrone Raddi made the following statement/concern/suggestion:

- He congratulated all who got in.
- He stated that he is a very vocal person who will fight for what he believes in. He stated that he's looking forward in learning from the other Councillors as we're all here for the same reason.
- He stated that he is not familiar with the sub-committees but he will try his best to live up to his commitments.
- He stated that a letter will be sent out to IRC regarding the M18 well. He stated that there will be no real benefits to our people and we need to start meeting with our membership to let them know what is going on and why they shouldn't support this project.

Mayor Erwin Elias stated that the letter that will be going out is in regards to the commitments not being followed through with, the cost of living reduction and the short term employment for Tuktoyaktuk. He stated that we haven't been getting anything back from the letters that were sent. He stated that the Hamlet will support the Tuktoyaktuk Community Corporation (TCC) on this issue and that he has been working closely with the Chairperson of TCC.

- He requested a digital package be sent to him.

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

- She congratulated the new members and is looking forward to another year on Council as this is a great learning experience.

iv) Mayor Erwin Elias made the following statement/concern/suggestion:

- He congratulated and welcomed the new Councillors.
- He stated that he directed administration to bring a care package to the family of the late George Hibbs who passed away on new years' eve and advised them to see if they need help with anything in the future.

- He stated that from time to time Council will be receiving emails from administration and he'd like to ensure that everyone replies to the emails when they can.
- He stated that the Hamlet should have a jamboree COVID plan
- He stated that Council had met with three Ministers and that follow up is needed on all the meetings that we had.
- He'd like a follow up done on the school renovation as they were supposed to provide us with a work plan for the season otherwise they will not be approved for a development permit with the Hamlet.
- He stated that he will try and keep everyone updated with what's going on in the community through emails.

14) IN-CAMERA SESSION
NIL

15) ADJOURNMENT

Next Regular Council Meeting: January 20th, 2021 at 7:00pm.

Motion made by Councillor Ryan Yakeleya and seconded by Councillor James Pokiak that Council adjourn the meeting of January 6th, 2021 at 8:03pm.

Motion#007-21

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