

**INCORPORATED HAMLET OF TUKTOYAKTUK
MINUTES FOR REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING #RCM04-24
7:00PM, Thursday, February 22, 2024**

1) CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Erwin Elias called the meeting to order at 4:03pm

COUNCILLOR JOE NASOGALUAK WAS SWORN IN.

2) RECOGNITION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Erwin Elias, Councillors Jackie Jacobson, Ryan Yakeleya, Maureen Gruben, Vince Teddy, Joe Nasogaluak.

Youth Rep: Miley Wolki

Staff: SAO Holly Campbell and ASAO Katrina Cockney

3) CONSENT OF COUNCIL TO EXCUSE ABSENCE OF MEMBER

Motion made by Councillor Jackie Jacobson and seconded by Councillor Maureen Gruben that Council excuse Deputy Mayor Tyrone Raddi from the February 22 Council meeting.

Motion# 032-24

Carried.

4) ADOPTION OF AGENDA

a) ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

- i) 6b- Kearney Coupland**
- ii) 14- In-camera session (Personnel)**

b) MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA

Motion made by Councillor Vince Teddy and seconded by Councillor Ryan Yakeleya that Council adopt the agenda with the noted additions.

Motion# 033-24

Carried.

5) DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

As & When.

6) DELEGATIONS

a) RCMP

Sgt. Whynot presented Council with the January policing report.

Notable items discussed:

- Ambulance services offered through m18 project- in discussion with IESP
- Staffing- 6 out of 7 members
- Introduced new Constable, Anna Dixon who came to the community on the 22nd of January
- Search and rescue efforts- a letter was sent to Mayor and Council to review

Mayor Erwin Elias thanked Sgt. Whynot for chaperoning the girls to Yellowknife for the hockey camp and for his involvement in the community.

Councillor Jackie Jacobson echoed the Mayors statement and thanked Sgt. Whynot for assisting with the First Assist program with John Chabot.

Councillor Vince Teddy questioned if the detachment is in need of guards.

Sgt. Whynot will send a notice to administration to share on our social media page.

Mayor Erwin Elias thanked Sgt. Whynot for attending the meeting.

b) Kearney Coupland

Ms. Coupland thanked Mayor and Council for providing her the time to provide an update regarding the planned retreat/relocation planning project and the steps needed to move forward.

She informed Council that she received \$386K to support a Community Relocation Planning Coordinator through the Climate Change Preparedness in the North (CCPN) funding. She noted that this position would be for a one-year term with the possibility of extension. She is requesting approval from Council to post the position.

She also spoke on the creation of a Community Relocation Planning Committee that would consist of two elders, two youth ages (18-25) and two adults (26-40) and additionally two individuals in community leadership roles.

She also noted that there is funding to have one representative from the Hamlet attend a four day workshop in Anchorage, Alaska.

Morgen Bertheussen, Researcher at McGill University has been working with Ms. Coupland and the NUNA team for the last 4 years as well and is in charge of developing a community survey that is focused on the relocation project. She provided copies to Council to review and hand back prior to Spring so that the survey can be rolled out as soon as possible.

Councillors Audrey Nasogaluak, Elizabeth Arey and Youth Representative Miley Wolki joined the meeting at 4:25pm

Mayor Erwin Elias stated that we are in the early stages of this relocation project and that the coordinator hired would gather all the information for us. He noted that we need to be broadcasting what is being done in regard to this project so that residents are informed. He thanked the team for coming down and presenting Council with the information and acknowledged Devalynn Pokiak for all the work she has been doing for NUNA since she started.

7) ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

a) COMMITTEE

NIL

b) SPECIAL MEETING(S)

NIL

c) REGULAR MEETING(S)

i) RCM03-24 Feb 7

Councillor Vince Teddy noted that a correction is needed to add him as present at the meeting.

Motion made by Councillor Ryan Yakeleya and seconded by Councillor Joe Nasogaluak that Council adopt the agenda with the noted corrections.

Motion# 034-24

Carried.

Councillor Maureen Gruben stated that we really need a Bylaw meeting.

SAO, Holly Campbell informed Councillor Gruben that as of now the priority is to get the Finances in order and then the other sub-committees will follow.

Mayor Erwin Elias stated that the Gwich'in hosted the Gwitch'in Cup and he wanted it noted that there was no assistance offered by them while our youth were stuck in Inuvik.

8) REPORTS

a) ANNOUNCEMENTS

i) Mayor Erwin Elias announced that the Inuvialuit Regional Corporation hockey tournament is scheduled for this coming weekend.

Mayor Erwin Elias commended the Youth Representative for raising such good concerns and noted that he's been pushing for a new swimming pool for years and will not give up lobbying for the youth.

viii) Mayor Erwin Elias made the following comment/statement:

- He welcomed back Councillor Joe Nasogaluak and noted that we have a good mix of Councillors and thanked them all for their efforts.
- He wished all three Tuk teams good luck in the IRC tournament this weekend.

Mayor Erwin Elias declared a break at 5:55pm returning at 5:57pm.

14) IN-CAMERA SESSION

a) Personnel

Motion made by Councillor Jackie Jacobson and seconded by Councillor Ryan Yakeleya that Council revert to an in-camera session to discuss personnel at 5:58pm

Motion# 043-24

Carried.

Motion made by Councillor Vince Teddy and seconded by Councillor Ryan Yakeleya that Council revert to public session at 6:40pm

Motion# 044-24

Carried.

15) ADJOURNMENT

Next Regular Council Meeting: March 6, 2024 at 7:00pm

Motion made by Councillor Vince Teddy and seconded by Councillor Ryan Yakeleya that Council adjourn the meeting of February 22, 2024 at 6:41pm.

Motion#045-24

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.



SAO, Holly Campbell



Mayor, Erwin Elias