



Arviat Hamlet Council

Regular Meeting # 01-2025

Tuesday, January 14, 2025, at 6:00pm, Hamlet Chambers

Present:

Mayor, Joe Savikataaq Jr.

Deputy Mayor, Gordy Kidlapik

Councillor, Nathan Caskey

Councillor, Darren Price

Councillor, Doreen Hannak

Councillor, Bridgette Aulatjut

Councillor, Joshua Curley

Councillor, Vikki Gibbons

Absent:

Councillor, Jimmy Main

Staff:

SAO, John Hussey

ASAO, Amber Tattuinee

Council Clerk, Naomi Muckpah

1. Call To Order

- Mayor Joe Jr Savikataaq called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

2. Opening Prayer

- Led by Deputy Mayor Gordy Kidlapik

3. Review and Approval of Agenda

Motion #01/25

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Gordy Kidlapik

Seconded by: Councillor Vikki Gibbons

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the Agenda for the Tuesday, January 14, 2025.

-Carried-

4. Delegates

- RCMP Monthly report for November 2024 and December 2024
 - Wished mayor, council and staff a happy new year
 - Update on year 2024 statistics
 - Says there were a total of 1063 calls
 - 479 alcohol related calls
 - 15 sexual assault files
 - 99 mental health related calls
 - 9 motor vehicle collision calls
 - 271 prisoners directly related to alcohol
 - 63 community engagements in which he would like to see the number go up in 2025
 - Says there were information about cocaine being in the community which is a concern
 - Says it is getting into the hands of young people
 - Says the health centre is aware of the information
 - Says their plan in 2025 is to build and maintain a relationship with the community
 - Says there are usually 5 members of the RCMP but 2-3 members are usual
 - Says there are currently 2 permanent members in the process of being hired
 - Says relief members are usually staffed
 - Says they are currently accepting resumes for a detachment service assistant which will start in April of 2025
 - Update on body worn cameras that are now in use
 - Says the challenge regarding the cameras is the data speed, limited data space.

- Says the data is directly sent to Ottawa for review
- Says the policy is that they are to start recording video and audio before going to the location of the call
- Says he would like to create afterschool programs that mainly involve the youth of the community
- Says he would like to see an ATV safety practice program before summer
- Says he would like to host a cooking competition for the youth
- Says he would like to start town hall meetings with the public later in the year which would be semi annual or once a year to create a space for the public to share issues and/or concerns.

5. Review & Approval of minutes

Motion #02/25

Moved by: Councillor Joshua Curley

Seconded by: Councillor Vikki Gibbons

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the Minutes for the Tuesday, November 26, 2024, Regular Meeting, Tuesday, December 2, 2024, Special Council meeting and Tuesday, December 10, 2024, Regular Council Meeting.

-Carried-

6. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

7. Operational Matters and Reports

- **SAO Report – John Hussey**
 - Wished mayor, council and staff a Happy New Year
 - Update on meetings with the US consulate that the mayor and SAO attended on December 12
 - Update on meeting with NTI on January 8 regarding an agreement to hire a TB community liaison officer
 - Update on meeting with NHC, Lauren Issabel and Daniel Kablutsiak from public works regarding the service entry points for the new housing units
 - Update on meeting with AEM on January 14 regarding CIF funding
 - Says he has a zoom meeting with SAO's and ministers on January 21
 - Says Nathan will be attending a meeting regarding the Kivalliq hydro-fibre link in March 11-12

- **DCD Update – Amber Tattuinee**
 - Update on Arviat Fund applications that closed on Friday January 10
 - Says there are 21 applications requesting a total of \$300,000+
 - Says the Arviat fund committee will meet on January 15

Motion #03/25

Moved by: Councillor Vikki Gibbons

Seconded by: Councillor Bridgette Aulatjut

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the motion to go in camera at 6:21pm

-Carried-

Motion #04/25

Moved by: Councillor Darren Price

Seconded by: Councillor Bridgette Aulatjut

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the motion to go off in-camera at 6:28pm

-Carried-

8. Mayor's Comments Councillor Members Topics & Concerns

- Mayor Joe Jr. Savikataaq
 - Says it was out of Nunavut's control regarding the shipment of a body
 - Says jack hammers and generators are used to dig graves and that the by-laws are informed after the family of the deceased decides where to burry their loved one.
 - Says a letter will be sent to the department of health regarding the funeral home and the shipment of a body.

Motion #05/25

Moved by: Councillor Joshua Curley

Seconded by: Councillor Vikki Gibbons

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the motion to write a letter to the Department of health to request to change the funeral home contract.

-Carried-

- Says the sewage truck had a full load and was on his way to unload when the driver got blinded by the sunlight and slowly went off road
 - Says the driver was checked out at the health centre as a safety precaution and was fine.
 - Says the sewage truck was back on the road shortly after
 - Says him and John will be meeting with NTI representatives regarding the TB support hire. Says the NTI will provide funding to hire a support worker who will assist in the promotion of TB testing and treatment practices.
- Deputy Mayor Gordy Kidlapik
 - Says there were unexpected funerals during the holiday season
 - Asked if there are special equipment required to dig graves during the winter season
- Councillor Nathan Caskey
 - Says the main problem was weather delays
 - Says the funeral home attendants were on holidays and had meetings that caused the delay of the shipment of the body
 - Says there were complaints sent regarding the operations of the funeral home
 - Says there were no communication from the funeral home and that they found out that the jobs were not being done in a timely fashion
- Councillor Darren Price
 - Says he supports the NTI new hire for the community liaison officer who will support the tackling of TB in the community
- Councillor Doreen Hannak
 - Gratitude and recognition to the hamlet staff and the recreation department for their hard work over the holidays
 - Says the funeral homes are the cause of delays and that it is out of Nunavuts control regarding the shipment of a body
 - Says the main problem is the communication between the funeral home and Nunavut and that the deceased come into town as cargo shipment
 - Says she knows this from her own personal experience.
 - Suggested if a letter is going to be sent to the department of health, to ask them to prioritize the shipment of a body
 - Suggested the department of health use a different funeral home

- Councillor Vikki Gibbons
 - Thanked the hamlet for the Christmas vouchers
 - Says she spent a lot of time at the community hall during the holidays

- Councillor Joshua Curley
 - Wished Mayor, council and staff a Happy New Year
 - Says there were delays regarding a family members funeral plan over the holiday season and that many of the relatives had to fly back home without attending the funeral
 - Says he understands that weather played a part in the delays
 - Asked if it is possible to use the medivac plane to send a body to the community instead of waiting for calm air
 - Asking about an incident involving a sewage truck that went off road on December 24

9. Business arising from previous minutes

10. Correspondence, Information & Petition

11. New Business

12. Committee Reports

13. By-Law

Motion #06/25

Moved by: Councillor Darren Price

Seconded by: Councillor Doreen Hannak

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the motion to approve the 3rd and final reading of By-law No. 333, amendments to the Community Plan.

-Carried-

Motion #07/25

Moved by: Councillor Nathan Caskey

Seconded by: Councillor Vikki Gibbons

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the 3rd and final reading of By-Law No. 334, amendments to the zoning by-law.

-Carried-

Motion #08/25

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Gordy Kidlapik

Seconded by: Councillor Joshua Curley

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the 2nd reading of By-Law No. 339, amendments to the zoning by-law

-Carried-

Motion #09/25

Moved by: Councillor Nathan Caskey

Seconded by: Councillor Darren Price

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the 1st and 2nd reading of By-Law No. 340, Land acquisition By-Law.

-Carried-

Motion #10/25

Moved by: Councillor Bridgette Aulatjut

Seconded by: Councillor Doreen Hannak

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the 1st and 2nd reading of By-law No. 341, Land Disposal By-law.

-Carried-

14. Adjournment

Motion #11/25

Moved by: Councillor Nathan Caskey

Seconded by: Councillor Joshua Curley

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the motion to adjourn the Tuesday, January 14, 2025 regular meeting at 6:49pm

-Carried-

Mayor Joe Savikataaq Jr.

John Hussey

SAO John Hussey

