



**Municipality of Cambridge Bay
Regular Council Meeting #21-07
Monday, May 3rd, 2021 @ 5:30pm
Minutes**

Present	Staff
Mayor Pamela Gross	Marla Limousin – CAO
Deputy Mayor Angulalik Pedersen	Wiz Mohammed-Director of MWPP
Councillor Derek Elias	Mosharef Hossain- Director of Finance
Councillor Shah Alam (Z)	
Councillor Barrie Ferguson (Z)	Delegation
Councillor Savanna Moore	MLA Jeannie Ehloak
Councillor Wilfred Wilcox	President Jennifer Hubbard, Polar Knowledge
Absent	
Councillor Jenna Kamingoak	Observers
Councillor Sandi Gillis	Cathy Aitok, Constituency Worker
*Z means Zoom	Chris Chisolm Polar Knowledge

1. Call to Order

Mayor Gross welcomed the members of Council, staff and guests and called the meeting to order at 5:32pm. Prayers and healing thoughts were sent to Kugluktuk after the recent tragedy and to the related families and friends in our community.

2. Opening Prayer

Councillor Elias said the opening prayer and extended prayers for the community of Kugluktuk.

3. Adoption of Agenda

Motion

To adopt the Agenda for RCM#21-07 on May 3rd, 2021.

Moved by: Councillor Elias

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Pederson

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4. Declaration of Interest

None declared at this time.

5. Delegation

a. MLA Jeannie Ehloak

MLA Ehloak was invited to the meeting to discuss the recent announcement by Canadian Air to cancel jet service into Cambridge Bay and the implications it will have on the community and the region. The cancellation of jet service is as a result of Canadian North upgrading their fleet and the fact that the new jets cannot land on gravel. The Council asked the Government of Nunavut to pave the runway as has been done in the other regional centers. Part of the reason CHARS selected Cambridge Bay was that the community had jet service.

MLA Ehloak said that this was an issue when she was Mayor and has been her focus to get a paved runway since she has been an MLA and a Minister. She stated that the issue was moving forward in discussions with the Minister responsible and also with the federal government but the Legislature became aware of COVID-19 in January of 2020 and changed the focus to the pandemic. She also stated that the Minister was not informed by Canadian North that next year was the last jet in Cambridge Bay. She will continue to raise this issue.

MLA Ehloak presented a list of the improvements that have been developed in the community since her term started.

- i. Continuing Care Centre is in planning stages
- ii. Nunavut Arctic College is completed
- iii. QEC new Power Plant is in design
- iv. Water plant tank relocation going to be tendered again as initial bids were over the budget amount
- v. Parking garage at airport
- vi. Women's Shelter almost ready to move in to



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- vii. Upgrade to the road to Mount Pelly, Ovayok Territorial Park including the bridge to the park. Dept of Environment, NTI and the Parks Committee

In 2017 we saw 200million with CHARS, 11,173k with the Municipal Building, 6,710k for the solid waste site, 500k for the bridge improvements, 250k for road resurfacing pilot project and the Nunavut Arctic Campus at 19.2m for a grand total of projects of 216m.

MLA Ehloak stated that we need to continue to work together to get the runway paved.

Councillor Elias – Summit Air did some test runs on an alternative aircraft and took in small particles of sand and gravel.

Councillor Alam – The business case for the runway is a sound reason for paving. The work is incomplete as per the current project. It is a 50m project. There are electrical upgrades required to the current airfield and the road to the airport needs a full upgrade.

Councillor Wilcox – There needs to be a full lift of gravel on the airport road. The Council has not assumed responsibility of the road in the land transfer in the area and will not until the road has been upgraded which is estimated at 1m. There is a lot of traffic back and forth on this road and we are down to the subsurface. With a lift of gravel on the road it would help to reduce the snow drifting issues on the road as well.

Mayor Gross thanked MLA Ehloak for coming and looked forward to seeing some movement on the paving of the airport.

b. President Jennifer Hubbard – Polar Knowledge

Ms. Hubbard is the new President of Polar Knowledge and wanted to meet with the members of Council to introduce herself.

Ms. Hubbard wants to make a commitment to the community to bring back the economic and socio-economic spirit of CHARS. She will be reintroducing the Steering Committee as she wants to consult more broadly and to find out how to integrate what we hear and to



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incorporate traditional indigenous knowledge. Her focus is on young people and wants to share some of the funding with the young people as future leaders of CHARS.

Ms. Hubbard told Council that anything is possible and she looks forward to working together.

Councillor Alam suggested the high school students could do research for CHARS.

Councillor Wilcox welcomed Ms Hubbard to the community and advised her that the Council has always supported CHARS. Looking forward to an exciting time because COVID has taken a toll on everything.

Mayor Gross thanked Ms. Hubbard and said we all looked forward to working with her.

6. Approval of Minutes

a. RCM#21-06, April 19th, 2021

Motion

To approve the Minutes of RCM#21-06, April 19th, 2021 as read.

Moved by: Councillor Wilcox

Seconded by: Councillor Elias

CARRIED #RCM21-07-02

7. Old Business

a. Review of the Water to Sewer Budget

At the request of Council, the Director of Finance reviewed the 2021/22 Water and Sewer Budget.

b. Summer Researchers

In light of the recent State of Emergency in Iqaluit and the change in transportation closure between the NWT and Nunavut, CAO Limousin asked Council for a dialogue on whether we should reduce the number of researchers coming to the community.



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Discussion took place on medical travel and the need to protect the community.

There was confusion as to why there was backdating of the requirement 5 days as someone entering 5 days ago would have already transmitted it.

We should be asking for proof of vaccine and saying that they should not be coming at this time.

8. New Business

a. PPP Contribution Agreement

With no requirement for this funding to be allocated to the Trade Show this year, it is requested that the non-committed funds be allocated to the completion of the exterior of the Red Fish Arts Studio.

To table discussion on the future of the Kitikmeot Trade Show.

Motion

To approve the allocation of the PPP Contribution Agreement as follows: C-1 CEDO Salary and Budget in the amount of \$140,537 and the remainder of funds in C-2 be allocated to complete the interior and exterior work in the Red Fish Arts Studio in the amount of \$49,463.00.

Moved by: Councillor Elias

Seconded by: Councillor Ferguson

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b. Gas Tax Small Project Funds Contribution Agreement

We have been successful in our application in securing 500k in funding for Phase 1 of the thermal oxidization system (TOS) The TOS will replace the need for a landfill that currently open burns household waste.

Motion

To accept the Small Project Gas Tax funds for Phase 1 of the Thermal Oxidization Project for administration by the Municipality.

Moved by: Councillor Moore

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Pederson

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Deputy Mayor Pedersen requested that a briefing note be presented to Council on the overall project as we have been working on this concept for many years.

9. Committee Reports

a. Municipal Planning and Projects

Councillor Elias as Chair of the Committee presented the Committee Report to Council.

A review of the municipal snow removal operation was done and with the increase in roads and buildings in the community and the increase of snowfall these past few years, the Committee is making a recommendation to the Council to purchase a snowblower in the amount of \$177k plus shipping and a tandem dump truck in the amount of \$179k plus shipping .

Motion

To approve the purchase of a snowblower in the amount of \$177k plus shipping and a tandem dump truck in the amount of \$179k plus shipping to improve our

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the Heritage Park; the renovation of the HBC Buildings at the Heritage Park as it is the 100th anniversary of the HBC in Cambridge Bay; the road surfacing pilot project; more infrastructure at Annana's Camp; cleanup of cabin area; shoreline and community; continuation of welding project; summer student work; investigation as to how to get the 12 Bay designed and constructed; installation of community welcome sign; installation of 2 commissioned sculptures in the community; MYAC project- banners on street poles; drainage study on west side of community; piped water study for Aurora Subdivision; metal dump study.

11. Adjournment

Motion

To Adjourn SCM#21-07 at 7:58.

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Pedersen

Seconded by: Councillor Wilcox

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Minutes Approved by Motion # 21-09-02, on July 5, 2021.

	
Mayor Pamela Gross	CAO Marla Limousin