



**Municipality of Cambridge Bay  
Special Council Meeting # 004  
Wednesday, August 29, 2018 @ 12:00pm  
Minutes**

<b>Present</b>	<b>Staff</b>
Mayor Gross, Pamela (Chair)	SAO Limousin, Marla
Deputy Mayor L'Heureux, Christina	Council Officer Isnor, Kamele
Councillor Kamingoak, Jenna	
Councillor Omilgoitok, Andrea	<b>Members of the Public</b>
Councillor Zikalala, Charles	MLA Ehaloak, Jeannie
Councillor Mohammed, Wiz	MLA Constituency Assistant Omilgoetok, Eva
Councillor Gillis, Sandi	
<b>Excused</b>	
Councillor Pedersen, Aaron	
Councillor Taipana, Jamie	

1. **Call to Order**  
Mayor Gross called the meeting to order at 12:07pm.
2. **Opening Prayer**  
Councillor Zikalala said the opening prayer.
3. **Adoption of Agenda**
  - a. SCM#004 August 29, 2018

**Motion**

To adopt the agenda SCM#004 August 29, 2018 as presented.

**Moved by:** Councillor Omilgoitok

**Seconded by:** Councillor Kamingoak

**CARRIED # 004-02-01**

4. **Declaration of Interest**  
Councillor Gillis declared a conflict of interest for item number 13 c.
5. **Delegations and Petitions**  
Mayor Gross welcomed MLA Ehaloak and MLA Executive Assistant Omilgoetok to the meeting
6. **Adoption of Minutes of Council**
7. **Business arising from the Minutes**



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- 8. Old Business**
- 9. Committee Reports**
- 10. Management Reports**
- 11. Correspondence Requiring Action**
- 12. Around the Table**
- 13. New Business**
  - a. Vote for removal of Paul Quassa as Premier**

**Mayor Gross** - started by asking MLA Ehaloak, "as a community we would like to know what the reasons were in the removal of Paul Quassa as Premier".

**MLA Ehaloak** - stated that, "I am not speaking on behalf of all members of the legislative assembly, I will explain my decision when I stood up during the motion for the removal of Paul Quassa as Premier.

There were a lot of different things going on from November to the time of motion was made, Premier Quassa made a statement indicating that he was a leader that he led the group. MLA stated that a leader doesn't lead, a leader directs with the support of his colleagues. We value communication and consultation because we live in a democratic society. We were promised communication amongst the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, the first floor meaning MLA's, second floor meaning Premier and Cabinet.

We were promised communication for anything that affected the Government would be delivered, we did not have any faith in our Leader when telling the truth, it showed when he was asked about the Northern Lights Forum if every minister was asked whether or not they were directed to attend or if it was just an option.

I believe that being a team player, being honest, and communicating with the team is key for being a leader. I believe that is how I got where I am today.

Those are the reasons that I stood up in the house that day, there were two different options, the first being continuing to work with someone who would have made things a lot worse or to resolve the problem now and start fresh while we were still new. Again, I



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am not speaking on behalf of the members of the legislative assembly, some members had asked if I would speak on their behalf for the media but I refused.

I was not planning on coming home after spring sitting, but after the motion to remove Paul Quassa as Premier I was told by my Executive Assistant that my constituents had questions, so far, I have met with a lot of people. It was a difficult situation but it had to be done.

In order for our Government to move on we need a leader who will be strong, we need a leader who is going to be a part of the assembly to represent all of Nunavut”.

**Mayor Gross** thanks MLA Ehloak for all of the information and answering our questions.

**Councillor Zikalala** - questioned about the Northern Lights convention did this convention bring in any monies back to Nunavut?

**MLA Ehloak** - stated there were a lot of monies brought back to Nunavut as there were a lot of artists from all over Nunavut who have made money. I would like to add that all Ministers needed to be there.

**Councillor Mohammed** - thanks Minister Ehloak for all of the information she has shared and would like to encourage MLA Ehloak to start a community forum for the community to find answers from you.

As for the Northern Lights meeting and spending a half of a million dollars for the ministers to attend, that was not a good idea especially because the ones that did attend would be from Iqaluit and none from the other communities across Nunavut also having their secretaries included when they did not need to does not look good, and taking taxis when they should be walking, taking limousines when they can walk across the street.

**Council** - Thank you for sharing your position and thank you for being able to attend our special council meeting MLA Ehloak.

**MLA Ehloak** - commented on the community forum and stated that summers aren't a good time to set up a community forum, I will be setting up a forum for November.

**Councillor Mohammed** - states that a community forum needs to happen.



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**MLA Ehaloak - agrees.**

**Mayor Gross -** on behalf of the community we will be setting up community forums one on October 11<sup>th</sup>, and another on November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018. You are invited to attend if you are available. This will be going out soon to the community that we will be hosting these forums.

**Councillor Mohammed -** suggests to have Minister Ehaloak attend by teleconference to our Community Forum and give a half hour for community members to ask questions.

**MLA Ehaloak -** says that she is willing to do a teleconference.

**b. Nunavut Planning Commission-Cancellation of Public hearings in the Kitikmeot and Kivalliq regions**

**Mayor Gross -** stated that about a month ago there was a hearing cancelled for the Nunavut Land Use Plan, we would like to know your thoughts on this.

**MLA Ehaloak -** stated that she would like to give some background information, the current status, and what our plans are as the Department of Environment.

In 2016 the draft Nunavut Land Use Plan drafted by the Nunavut Planning Commission proposes the prohibition of disruptive development in many sensitive areas particularly in key habitats to barren grounds caribou productivity the Nunavut draft land use plan protected areas prohibited development for special management areas established conditions to development.

In March of 2017 the government of Nunavut participated in a draft Nunavut Land Use Plan Qikiqtani hearing afterwards the Government of Nunavut sent Nunavut Planning Commission a letter outlining its recommendations regarding hearing facilitation. Department of Environment coordinated the preparation of the Government of Nunavut in January 2017 submission of recommendation for the 2016 draft plan.

Regional Inuit Associations have varying recommendations regarding development prohibitions within sensitive caribou habitat all supported by NTI all position to protected areas in the Kitikmeot Region support for protected calve areas calving grounds and special management areas post calving grounds in the Kivalliq Region and support for the calving grounds in the Qikiqtani Region.



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The majority of the Government of Nunavut's wildlife co-management partners including Hunters and Trappers Organizations and the Nunavut Wildlife Management Board, supported a protected area designation for calving grounds with prohibitions to development calving grounds are recognized by Inuit Qaujimagatuqangit and scientific experts as being of critical importance for maintaining healthy caribou populations consistent disturbance avoidance responses with calving grounds or the cumulative fragmentation of these habitats may have serious negative impacts to herd population size, calving grounds are annually inhabited by herds in part because they are disturbance free.

The committee of the status of endangered wildlife in Canada assessed barren ground populations as threatened in November 2016. The draft plan once approved may be amended the 2016 draft plan proposes an incremental approach to planning in the territory that in the long term may see the draft plan replaced with regional or even water shed scaled Land use Plans.

Proponents may also seek case by case Federal Ministerial Exemptions with approved plans. The Government of Nunavut has outstanding concerns regarding Nunavut Planning Commissions internal procedures facilitating plan amendments.

So, the current status on July 24, 2018 the Nunavut Planning Commission sent a letter to the signatories which is the Government of Nunavut, Government of Canada, and Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated explaining that it had re-opened the record for written submissions on the 2016 draft plan since it does not have the funding to proceed in further hearings as they would like. Nunavut Planning Commission asked the signatories if they would support supplementary funding to proceed with process signatories preferred. The Government of Canada is preparing a draft joint signature letter in response.

On July 16, 2018 Nunavut Planning Commission released a notice that they were reopening the record for written submissions on the 2016 draft plan. They are seeking only perspectives and information that was not previously submitted the deadline for comments is October 19, 2018. Nunavut Planning Commission also sent participants questions on the 2016 draft plan Qikiqtani hearing many of the questions require a Government of Nunavut response.

In March of 2018 Nunavut Planning Commission requested supplementary funding from the Federal Government, the funding is to complete the Draft Nunavut Land Use Plan by 2020 with envision public hearings on the 2016 draft plan as well as consultations on a 2019 draft plan. Given concerns raised by the signatories the Federal Government has



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asked that they review the funding requests and provide recommendations. A process that includes public hearings for two different draft plans iterations as outside the scope of the Nunavut planning and project assessment act sections 49 to 53 contemplates holding public hearings for the same plan which is intended to be submitted for approval.

The process also envisions more Nunavut Planning Commission proactive communication with the public and signatories, Nunavut Planning Commission hired a consulting company to facilitate the discussions between the commission the plan signatories regarding the next step between the finalization of the draft Nunavut Land Use Plan. Nunavut Planning Commission passed a motion in December 2017 to complete the final hearings in the 2016 draft plan in the Kivalliq and Kitikmeot regions.

Signatories would prefer a revised 2018 draft plan to be the focus of the hearings to the 2018 draft plan flaws. During the November 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> 2017 workshop the following additional key points were discussed:

- Revisions to hearing procedures reflecting on March 2017 Qikiqtani hearing;
- Roles and responsibilities of parties as established under the Nunavut Planning and Assessment Act;
- The need to be more proactive with communication with signatories led by the Nunavut Planning Commission;
- A final process for the Nunavut draft Nunavut Land Use Plan hearings and submissions to signatories for decision.

Whether the focus of the 2016 Draft Nunavut Land Use Plan should be the focus of the remaining regional hearings was a point of disagreement between Nunavut Planning Commission and the signatories.

So basically, what the three signatories are saying which is the Government of Nunavut, The Government of Canada, and Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated are recommending that all of the information that they have received to date by October 19, 2018 should be used to prepare for a new plan for 2019 draft land use plan to be able to begin hearings. Once the hearings are complete Nunavut Planning Commission should be preparing a final draft plan for approval.

So, the next steps the Department of Environment is awaiting the federal governments decision regarding Nunavut Planning Commission supplementary funding request and will participate in Nunavut Planning Commission planning process once established. Department of Environment is preparing final written submission in response to the



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**Mayor Gross-** thanks MLA Ehaloak for the update.

Councillor Gillis-so these public hearings that were cancelled were on the 2016 draft plan, so they are reopening written submissions even though they didn't hear anything from the Kitikmeot and Kivalliq regions? Then they will change it and have hearings in the Kitikmeot and Kivalliq or in Qikiqtani as well again?

**MLA Ehaloak-** They plan to have the written submissions and are requesting to have more hearing on the 2016-2017 in the Kivalliq and Kitikmeot regions. The signatories would like to take all of the information from the 2016 plan and use that with the 2019 plan to minimize the cost of more hearings and call it the 2019 draft Land Use Plan then begin hearings across Nunavut.

**SAO Limousin-** in the 2016 fall review part of the issue here has come up with a lot of the SAO's in the Kitikmeot and Kivalliq is that the decisions were based on the Qikiqtani public hearing. So, the Government will be writing up a new plan on the comments of the Qikiqtani and their comments alone for the Kitikmeot and Kivalliq regions as well as their own.

We will not have a voice unless we write a letter based on a 2016 plan then at that point under the Nunavut Land Claim Agreement there must be consultation from all 3 regions in Nunavut. The decisions are being made from consultation from one region this is worrisome because Qikiqtani has different issues from Kivalliq and Kitikmeot.

**Mayor Gross-** So the question is how will our voices be heard as community members? The community members that potentially would have attended the public hearing may not submit a letter to Nunavut Planning Commission this is a concern.

**Councillor Omilgoitok-** I am kind of torn but if you are proactive about something you would really make it happen, so if you would really like to be heard you would go out and write that letter to Nunavut Planning Commission to have your voice heard.

**Councillor Gillis-** You say that you are kind of torn, I understand that spending money on all of the public hearings that they would have to host on the 2016 draft plan then have the 2019 that is exactly what the 2016 draft land use plan is but with a few changes I understand why the Federal Government doesn't want to have more public hearings.

**MLA Ehaloak-** That is exactly what the three parties would like to plan to do.



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**Councillor Mohammed-** I agree, the information that was taken from the Qikiqtani region for the 2016 plan for our region should not be used in the new draft plan, the 2019 plan should have input from each region.

I would encourage the Government and you as a Minister to review the 2019 plan as a fresh start, and not include the Qikiqtani input toward the document as it will not be favorable by the other two regions if the information from the Qikiqtani comments are used for the plan.

**c. Mold at arena**

**Mayor Gross-** We wanted an update on the arena and where the process is at as well as the RFP that went out.

**MLA Ehaloak-** Unfortunately I do not have an update for you, I wasn't able to get a hold of Minister Kusugak emails have been sent to him. I will be leaving tomorrow this will be the first item that I will work on I will be meeting with Minister Kusugak and his staff once I get back to Iqaluit.

Once I have an update I will send a letter to SAO Limousin and Council with an update on the information that you are seeking.

**Mayor Gross-** Hockey season is approaching and if this will not be ready at all we would like some support to purchase an outdoor Arena. ASAO MacEachern has been working on some figures towards a building for the community to use this winter, it would really help with community member in their happiness and well being so we would really appreciate your help in securing some funds in the ballpark of over 1 million dollars, this would be something that would be used outside of the arena as well.

**MLA Ehaloak-** I have had a few companies in town that came to me with their concerns as well, there is one company that said that they would purchase all of the material to build an outside arena and would like to build it in the ball field, so I told the company that I would bring this information to the Hamlet.

I am totally in support of your concerns because this community really does need an arena, there has been a lot of vandalism in the community and to have an arena this would really help with different activities for our youth to keep out of trouble.





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**ASAO MacEachern-** The RFP Closed and the contract was signed on August 13<sup>th</sup>, and that RFP calls for a completion of September 31<sup>st</sup> but there is a serious concern because no one has started the work yet on the Arena.

We have asked MLA Ehaloak to attend this meeting so that we can request help with a Plan B because we do not want to go another season without an Arena.

**MLA Ehaloak-** I am going to bring up with Cabinet that we need a plan in case the Arena is not ready for this season, I have had people coming to me with concerns regarding the arena. I will get an update from CGS for you regarding the Arena renovations.

**Councillor Mohammed-** What we are trying to communicate to you is that we need a facility for our community for winter, for skating, for hockey so that we can get the kids off the street so that they have a place to use and hope to have all of the vandalism stops. Also, it will help with a mental well-being if we go without a second season without hockey that will play in the kids minds too where is the support from our Hamlet? Where is the support from our MLA and how long are we going to go without an Arena? It is that serious. There is a safety aspect, a mental component, and the recreational aspect of it, the vandalism and crime aspect of it, we can go on and on we need to have this thing in place sooner then later.

**Councillor Zikalala-** Our youth group home has been shut down, the arena has been taken away what are we asking for? We are asking for more problems. Can we change our words from "trying" to "let's do it"?

**MLA Ehaloak-** Just for your information regarding the group home, the reason why it has been shut down is because there are no boys. It is a facility for boys who are at risk at becoming a part of the correctional facility system, there are no boys in the facility so this building is being used by the mental health facility due to renovations being done at the mental health facility.

**SAO Limousin-** Would council pass a motion to request for MLA Ehaloak to secure 1M towards the Plan B in case the arena is not ready. Could we work together and ask the Military to fly in the building for the outdoor arena if we secure the funds for this building then we can get in as soon as possible and hopefully get it erected fairly quickly in time for the season. This would be the back-up plan but can also be phase 1 of the multi plex so this would not go to waste. If Joint task force can help this would be awesome.



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**MLA Ehaloak-** First of all, I can't promise that I can secure that funding but I will try to find that funding but I can't promise that I will find this funding.

**SAO Limousin-** Would the Government of Nunavut speak to the Federal Government use some of the 4.2M from the pot for the multi plex?

**MLA Ehaloak-** I have already asked about that and was told that we cannot use that funding for anything other than the Arena, if we do request to use this it is a pot of money that can be taken and used for another community for another renovation.

**SAO Limousin-** it has been 3 years and nothing has been done. There has to be some funding that the Government can secure to help with our Plan B.

**MLA Ehaloak-** I will see what I can do and get back to Mayor Gross and she can inform Council and Staff.

**Councillor Mohammed-** From my experience and I have gone through four of them so far with these types of sheer monies that comes 75/25 from the federal government to the Nunavut government. We have been able to move money from one portion to a different project because there was a connection to this project we were able to do it.

The one thing that the Federal Government will not allow is moving monies from one community to another community. So, this has been done but it is just a matter of asking the right people.

I was at a session with the Government of Nunavut and this is public knowledge so the Government has a deficit and will be clawing back on funds with departments so the sooner that we start with this plan the better because in the new fiscal year there won't be any funds available.

**MLA Ehaloak-** I can work with SAO Limousin with specifics on finding this funding that the Municipality is requesting.

**Mayor Gross-** We can put a motion on the table to pass a request for a structure that would be readily used in the community for this year. Successful procurement of funds for that building.

**Councillor Mohammed-** Possibly a bridge solution until we have a solution for this problem because we cannot go a second year without an Arena and the priority is really



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high to what we are facing against including the weather and installation and shipping of the components.

**ASAO MacEachern-** I will send Council everything that we have been working on for our Plan B.

**SAO Limousin-** I think that we should really put forward this motion there is more than one way to move this around I don't want to embarrass anyone including the Government for not spending 4.2M dollars in 3 years in our community I am sure they have spent it on studies but here we are at this point if we know if that money was from the gas tax fund we can find the Minister that is in charge of the gas tax fund and write a letter with a compelling story.

What is the root cause of this? If we work together as a Municipality and Territory and go straight to the Federal Government and request to release some of the 4.2M so that we can purchase this structure so that our kids can play this year.

**Councillor Mohammed-** We can add that into the Motion the 4.2M to release some funds towards a bridge solution and it will be reused toward our future multiplex it will be an overall development of our multiplex.

**Mayor Gross-** I don't think that we should put a dollar value towards the request because it may be under or over the requesting amount, or we can just add the commitment of the structure.

**MOTION**

**To request to secure funds for a structure that would be readily used in the community.**

**Moved by: Councillor Mohammed**

**Seconded by: Deputy Mayor L'Heureux**

**CARRIED# 004-02-02**

**14. By-Laws and Policies**

**15. Adjournment**

**MOTION**

**To Adjourn at 1:12pm**



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<b>Chair – Mayor Gross</b>	<b>SAO – Marla Limousin</b>

