



Arviat Hamlet Council

Regular Meeting #04-2026

Tuesday, February 10, 2026 at 6:00pm Hamlet Chambers

Present:

Deputy Mayor, Gordy Kidlapik

Councilor, Nathan Caskey

Councilor, Darren Price

Councilor, Doreen Hannak

Councillor, Bridgette Aulatjut

Councilor, Jimmy Main

Councilor, Joshua Curley

Absent:

Mayor, Joe Savikataaq Jr.

Councilor, Vikki Gibbons

Staff:

COSAO, John Hussey

COSAO, Amber Tattuinee

Council Clerk, Naomi Muckpah

1. Call To Order

- Deputy Mayor Kidlapik called the meeting to order at 6:00PM

2. Opening Prayer

- Led by Councillor Curley

3. Review and Approval of Agenda

Motion #22/26

Moved by: Councillor, Main

Seconded by: Councillor, Curley

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the motion to approve the agenda for Tuesday February 10, 2026 -Regular Council Meeting.

-Carried-

4. Delegates

5. Review & Approval of minutes

Motion #23/26

Moved by: Councillor, Price

Seconded by: Councillor, Mrs. Hannak

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the motion to approve the minutes for Tuesday, January 27, 2026 -Regular Council Meeting.

-Carried-

6. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

7. Operational Matters and Reports

- COSAO- Hussey
- Update on January 27, 2026, attended the regular council meeting
- Update on January 22, 2026, meeting with Amber and Jolene to discuss the transition of work from Amber's previous position to Jolene who is now the DCD for the Hamlet of Arviat.
- Update on January 29, 2026 – Zoom Meeting with Health care professionals to discuss the closure of the TB Project with an expected end date of March 31, 2026.
- Update on February 2-6, 2026, where he and the mayor attended the Kivalliq Mayors Meeting that was held in Rankin Inlet, hosted by the Hamlet of Arviat.
- Update on February 6, 2026 – Zoom Meeting with Michelle and Sadie from Northern Futures to discuss Land development projects for this coming summer. Roxy was also in attendance.
- Update on February 6, 2026 -In person meeting with 5 representatives from Census Canada who will be conducting a census survey in Arviat for the next few weeks. Ceporah and Jolene will be providing some assistance with advertising on the local radio on Facebook to advise residents that this event will be happening.
- February 9, 2026 -Zoom meeting with Michelle and Sadie from Northern Futures regarding a discussion on staff housing. They were contacted to conduct this survey by NAM. COSAO Tattuinee was also in attendance.

Motion #24/26

Moved by: Councillor, Price

Seconded by: Councillor, Curley

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the motion to approve the Municipal Operations Profile, 2026-2027.

-Carried-

Motion #25/26

Moved by: Councillor, Caskey

Seconded by: Councillor, Hannak

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the motion to approve the development permit application from the Nunavut Housing Corporation for housing projects in Arviat.

-Carried-

Motion #26/26

Moved by: Councillor, Caskey

Seconded by: Councillor, Hannak

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the motion to approve the 4 invoices from the EPLS maintenance & services Ltd. for the renovations to the John Ollie Complex for a total of \$253,323.46.

-Carried-

- COSAO- Tattuinee
 - Update on Arviat Fund Staff scheduling.
 - Says she and the DCD met with the Arviat Fund staff to discuss hours and rate of pay. Says the staff are fine with the way the Arviat Fund is operating.
 - Says the Arviat Fund schedule will remain as it is.
 - Update on recreation – says swift sensors were installed on the water tanks of the community hall and Zamboni room, to avoid further accidents from happening.
 - Says there hasn't been any major issues since the reopening of the teen dances. Says the policy that was put in place is effective.
 - Says there were no major accidents during the weekend of the John Lindell Memorial Hockey Tournament.
 - Update on Department of Health's TB clinic. Says the CPHO requested that the TB clinic work with Jolene to set up a time to host a PUBG tournament in hopes of encouraging young men to get tested for TB.

- Councillor, Main
 - Asked a question weather the Arviat fund recipients have been providing financial reports from the funds they received.

- COSAO – Tattuinee
 - Says those who have completed their program and received funding have already submitted their reports. Those who have not yet held their event have until the next application intake to submit their reports.

8. Mayor's Comments, Councillor Members Topics & Concerns

- Councillor, Caskey
 - He noted that the Hamlet garages are currently at full capacity, and some equipment stored inside may not require heated space. Given that the tent garages at the SAKKU factory withstood the winter, asked if it would be feasible to purchase a temporary garage tent for use until the new garages are constructed.

- Discussion on new Hamlet garage planning and construction.

- Councillor, Caskey
 - Says his praise for the heavy equipment operators who have been working tirelessly clearing snow and doing water/sewage services through the snowstorms.

- Councillor, Price
 - It was noted that he recently experienced another incident where an ambulance was required and expressed concern regarding the lack of dedicated ambulance services in Arviat. He stated that he is advocating for the establishment of ambulance services in the community, highlighting concerns for residents who may require emergency medical transport from their homes but do not have access to transportation during an emergency.

- Discussion on ambulance services.

- Councillor, Price
 - Says his thanks to the heavy equipment operators for their hard work in keeping the roads clear of snow. Says he understands the concerns of locals when adding gravel on the roads, but he suggested to add more gravel as there have been vehicles that are sliding at intersections which can cause an accident to happen.

- Councillor, Main
 - Says he agrees with Councillor Caskey on the snow clearing efforts by the heavy equipment operators. It was suggested that the snow mountains be hauled out of town, as they are becoming large piles that create blind spots in certain areas near intersections.

- He updated Council on his new role as a member of the Language of Instruction Subcommittee with the DEA, representing the Hamlet.
- Councillor, Curley
 - Says he used to go get ice in the 80's. Says it was run by the HTO or the Hamlet. He is wondering if this can come back where ice can be brought to town for residents to pick up if there is funding to start this idea.

Health break at 6:45PM

Meeting resumed at 6:53PM

9. Business arising from previous minutes

10. Correspondence, Information & Petition

Motion #27/26

Moved by: Councillor, Caskey

Seconded by: Councillor, Mrs. Aulatjut

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the motion to approve to draft a support letter for the Inuit Broadcasting Corporation in their efforts to enhance its capacity to provide quality Inuktitut television programming and to increase public awareness and access to IBC's vast collection of historical video content.

-Carried-

Motion #28/26

Moved by: Councillor, Price

Seconded by: Councillor, Caskey

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the motion to approve to draft a support letter for the Aqqiumavvik Society in their efforts in securing funding to open the library.

-Carried-

11. New Business

12. Committee Reports

13. By-Law

14. Adjournment

Motion #29/26

Moved by: Councillor, Main

Seconded by: Councillor, Hannak

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the motion to adjourn the Tuesday, February 10, 2026 at 7:00PM

-Carried-



Mayor Joe Savikataaq Jr.



SAO John Hussey

