



Arviat Hamlet Council

Regular Meeting # 06-2026

Wednesday, March 18, 2026 at 6:00pm, Hamlet Chambers

Present:

Councillor, Vikki Gibbons

Councillor, Nathan Caskey

Councillor, Darren Price

Councillor, Bridgette Aulatjut

Councillor, Joshua Curley

Absent:

Mayor, Joe Savikataaq Jr.

Deputy Mayor, Gordy Kidlapik

Councillor, Jimmy Main

Councillor, Doreen Hannak

Staff:

COSAO, John Hussey

COSAO, Amber Kadjuk

Lands, Roxy Illnik

Council Clerk, Naomi Muckpah

1. Call To Order

- Councillor Gibbons called the meeting to order at 6:00PM

2. Opening Prayer

- Led by councillor Curley

3. Review and Approval of Agenda

Motion #38/26

Moved by: Councillor, Curley

Seconded by: Councillor, Aulatjut

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the Agenda for Wednesday, March 18, 2026, regular council meeting.

-Carried-

4. Delegates

- RCMP Monthly report
 - Update on February monthly statistics
- Dorothy Arualak
 - Says there was an incident at the indoor playground where her son had to be rushed to the health centre.
 - Suggested to have a stretcher at the indoor playground and a vehicle available for use in case of an emergency.
 - Says she is voicing her concerns because she is thinking of other kids in the community who go to the indoor playground. Says she does not want any incidents happening to other kids in the community.

5. Review & Approval of minutes

Motion #39/26

Moved by: Councillor, Caskey

Seconded by: Councillor, Darren

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the Minutes for the Tuesday, February 24, 2026- Regular Council Meeting Minutes

-Carried-

6. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

7. Operational Matters and Reports

- COSAO-Hussey
 - February 24, 2026 -Attended regular council meeting
 - February 28, 2026 -Annual T4's were issued to employees
 - March 3, 2026 – The former director of Corporate Services arrived on site to temporarily act as the Director of Corporate services until the hamlet hires a new employee for that position.
 - March 6, 2026- Community freezer refrigeration technician arrived to start on the replacement of the compressors on Saturday where he was assisted by Mr. Illnik. The repairs were expected to be completed by Tuesday of last week, in which were done.
 - March 10, 2026 -Attended information session with the planner architect and engineer for ITK for the INU project.
 - March 10, 2026 -Meeting with Warren the local ambulance operator discussing community services he is providing to the residents of Arviat.
 - March 11 and 12, 2026-WSCC Workplace Supervisor training took place on Wednesday March 11 and half day on March 12. 6 Hamlet employees attended.
 - March 11, 2026- Attended the public meeting where ITK presented the university project to interested residents.
 - Closing date for the advertised position of Director of Corporate Services will close on Friday March 13. To date the Hamlet has received 13 applications and a pre screening review is underway by the Mayor, COSAO's and contracted director of finance.
 - ITK to visit the community From April 21 to 23.

- March 13 – QEC update on location of the tank farm where the COSAO, SAO
- March 17 -KAC-Update on Arviat alternative clean energy microgrid.

- Nunavut Victim Services- Mr. Williams
 - Update on the completion of GN courses, intercultural communication.
 - Attended information session from the Nunavut Association of Non-Profit Organizations (NANPO).
 - Assisted 12 clients
 - Worked on 5 proposals for wellness funding with one submission.
 - Worked with Program outreach coordinator to successfully complete a tuktu kamik making workshop an an afternoon of baking. Also worked to post wellness messages on Victim Services Facebook page in English and inuktitu
 - Supported the students and staff of JAHNS as they grieved the loss of their teacher.
 - Met with 5 community stakeholders.

- COSAO- Mrs. Tattuinee
 - Update on Sports and Recreation grant applications

Motion #40/26

Moved by: Councillor, Price

Seconded by: Councillor, Aulatjut

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the recreation department for their funding request from Government of Nunavut's Sports and recreation division.

-Carried-

- Updated council on a proposal to charge event planning and services

Motion #41/26

Moved by: Councillor, Caskey

Seconded by: Councillor, Aulatjut

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the planning and services agreement to start charging customers for event planning and services.

-Carried-

- Discussion with council on indoor playground operations.

- Update on weight room project.

8. Mayor's Comments Councillor Members Topics & Concerns

- Councillor, Caskey
 - Says he has concerns about liability issues regarding the transportations that are needed when bringing individuals need to the health centre during emergency situations. Says this should be looked into.
- Discussion with council on ambulance services.
 - Councillor, Price
 - Says his concerns regarding medical travel patients getting stranded in Rankin Inlet. Says a few individuals shared stories of their experience while travelling on medical travel. Suggested to pressure the Department of health to investigate the situation to find a solution to the ongoing problem regarding medical travel.
 - Suggested to write a letter to the Department of Health regarding medical travel patients getting stranded in Rankin Inlet.
 - Suggested to add more gravel intersections as the roads are becoming slippery again.
- Discussion with council on the news of Arviat being selected for the Kraft Hockeyville competition.
 - Councillor, Curley
 - Says he noticed snow being cleared behind the community hall and he appreciates the heavy equipment operators for clearing the snow for those who like to go skating.
 - Says he knows there is ambulance service in Arviat. Says other departments should be informed about ambulance services in Arviat.

9. Business arising from previous minutes

10. Correspondence, Information & Petition

- Discussion with council on Tamar's request for community hall usage/teen-dance.
- Discussion on NS funding request.

11. New Business

- Land Application, NHC, Lot 18, plan 2, block 4891

Motion # 42/26

Moved by: Councillor, Caskey

Seconded by: Councillor, Aulatjut

Be It Resolved that the Hamlet Council declined the land application from NHC due to the lot already being allocated. Council recommends finding a different lot.

-Carried-

Motion # 43/26

Moved by: Councillor, Caskey

Seconded by: Councillor, Curley

Be It Resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the land application from RG location Inc.

-Carried-

Motion # 44/26

Moved by: Councillor, Caskey

Seconded by: Councillor, Curley

Be It Resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the sketch, Sk-Arv-25-02, from Aqqiumavvik Society.

-Carried-

Motion # 45/26

Moved by: Councillor, Price

Seconded by: Councillor, Aulatjut

Be It Resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the land application from Aqqiumavvik Society.

-Carried-

Motion # 46/26

Moved by: Councillor, Price

Seconded by: Councillor, Caskey

Be It Resolved that the Hamlet Council declined the land application from EPLS as the lot is already allocated as a snow removal zone by by-law 354, snow piling and removal. Council suggests finding a different lot.

-Carried-

Motion # 47/26

Moved by: Councillor, Price

Seconded by: Councillor, Caskey

Be It Resolved that the Hamlet Council approves to go in-camera at 6:25PM

-Carried-

Motion # 48/26

Moved by: Councillor, Caskey

Seconded by: Councillor, Price

Be It Resolved that the Hamlet Council approves to go off-camera at 6:31PM

-Carried-

12. Committee Reports

13. By-Law

Motion # 49/26

Moved by: Councillor, Caskey

Seconded by: Councillor, Curley

Be It Resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the 3rd and final reading of by-law 350, amendments to the community plan which was previously approved by council on January 27, 2026. This by-law has been passed again due to administrative error.

-Carried-

Motion # 50/26

Moved by: Councillor, Aulatjut

Seconded by: Councillor, Price

Be It Resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the 3rd and final reading of by-law 351, amendments to the zoning by-law, which was previously approved by council on January 27, 2026. This by-law has been passed again due to administrative error.

14. Adjournment

Motion # 51/23

Moved by: Councillor, Caskey

Seconded by: Councillor, Aulatjut

Be It Resolved that the Hamlet Council approves to adjourn the Regular Meeting of Wednesday, March 18, 2025 at 7:38PM

-Carried-



Mayor Joe Savikataaq Jr.



SAO John Hussey



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