



Arviat Hamlet Council

Regular Meeting #11-2026

Tuesday, May 26, 2026 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, Vikki Gibbons

Councillor, Joshua Curley

Absent:

SAO, John Hussey

Councillor, Jimmy Main

Staff:

ASAO, Amber Tattuinee

DCD, Jolene Curley

Council Clerk, Naomi Muckpah

1. Call To Order

Mayor Savikataaq Jr. called the meeting to order at 6:00PM

2. Opening Prayer

- Led by Deputy Mayor Kidlapik

3. Review and Approval of Agenda

Motion #89/26

Moved by: Councillor, Mrs. Aulatjut

Seconded by: Councillor, Mr. Curley

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves to amend the agenda to include NTI as a delegate and to approve the May 26, 2026, regular council meeting agenda.

-Carried-

4. Delegates

- NTI
 - Lola Sheppard, Jessica Babe -Discussion with council on the feasibility study on transitional housing and shelters in Nunavut.

5. Review & Approval of minutes

Motion #90/26

Moved by: Councillor, Mr. Price

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor, Mr. Kidlapik

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the minutes for Tuesday May 12, 2026- Regular Council Meeting Minutes.

-Carried-

6. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

7. Operational Matters and Reports

- DCD Report -Mrs. Curley
 - Update on upcoming recreational activities for the spring, summer and fall.
- ASAO-Mrs. Tattuinee
 - Information on request from JAHS to use the community hall for free of charge.

Motion #91/26

Moved by: Councillor, Mr. Caskey

Seconded by: Councillor, Mr. Curley

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves to waive the rental fee for the use of the community hall for the JAHS graduation prom.

-Carried-

- Update on the approval of funding from KIA for the operation of the summer camp and to employ summer students at the Hamlet of Arviat.

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

- Councillor, Mr. Curley
 - Suggested that a bridge be built at the tidal inlet at the point where vehicles and ATV's cross during the summer months. Says this can be a project for the coming year.
- Mayor, Mr. Savikataaq Jr.
 - Agreed with Mr. Curley that installing a bridge is a good idea as there are many ATV's that drive through the tidal inlet during the summer months.
 - Says community members suggested installing a signal near the site where the old white house burned down to serve as a guide for boaters.
- Councillor, Mr. Caskey
 - Says there were community members concerned about a smell at the community freezer and suggested to have it looked at to ensure that it will be running properly over the summer months.

- Mayor, Mr. Savikataaq Jr.
 - Says the compressors at the community freezer were recently repaired, with replacement parts ordered from overseas. Says the compressors were down for a few days, but all items remained frozen once the freezer was back up and running.
 - Says one idea for the coming year is to explore alternative compressors with parts that are more readily available.

- Councillor, Mr. Caskey
 - Suggested to remind the staff of the community freezer to make sure that items being brought are properly stored in boxes.

- ASAO- Mrs. Tattuinee
 - Agreed to remind the community freezer attendant to make sure all items brought to the community freezer are properly stored.

- Councillor, Mrs. Gibbons
 - Suggested inviting Calm Air to a meeting to discuss their services in the Kivalliq region and their future plans in response to the growth of Arviat.

Motion #92/26

Moved by: Councillor, Mrs. Gibbons

Seconded by: Councillor, Mrs. Hannak

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves to draft a letter to Calm Air to invite them to a meeting with Mayor and council.

-Carried-

- Discussion with Mayor and council on Calm Air flight routs and schedules.

- Councillor, Mr. Price
 - Expressed appreciation for the heavy equipment operators and their efforts to keep the roads safe by applying gravel at intersections throughout the winter. Suggested reminding residents about the road maintenance process during the spring thaw, noting that staff began working on the roads as soon as the ice had melted.

- Mayor, Mr. Savikataaq Jr.
 - Says there were some heavy equipment's that were down and under maintenance.
Says the heavy equipment operators were working to haul gravel from the gravel pit at mikilaa lake that took a couple days as there was a lot of compacted snow.
- Councillor, Mrs. Hannak
 - Suggested to inform residents not to make large streams on the road as it is a safety concern for drivers.
 - Suggested to inform residents not to dump garbage at the entrance of the landfill.
 - Suggested to clear the snow further on the maguse road.

9. Business arising from previous minutes

10. Correspondence, Information & Petition

- Archeology Permit Application -Maguse Road – A Heritage Trail

Motion 93/26

Moved by: Councillor, Mrs. Caskey

Seconded by: Councillor, Mr. Price

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the Archeology permit application for the Know History Inc. in their efforts to study and document important historical sites along the maguse road corridor from Arviat to the Maguse River and into Maguse Lake.

-Carried-

- JAHS -Funding Request

Motion #94/26

Moved by: Councillor, Mr. Caskey

Seconded by: Councillor, Mrs. Gibbons

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves to donate \$500 to the JAHS graduation in their efforts to fundraising for their graduation.

-Carried-

- ED&T Funding Request

Motion #95/26

Moved by: Councillor, Mrs. Gibbons

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor, Mr. Kidlapik

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves the ED&T funding request from Mr. Uluadluak to support his harvesting efforts.

-Carried-

- Discussion on Arviat Niqitaarvik Society- Sea can Location inquiry.
- Discussion on letter from Statistics Canada for their facility use request.

11. New Business

12. Committee Reports

13. By-Law

14. Adjournment

Motion #96/26

Moved by: Councillor, Mr. Price

Seconded by: Councillor, Mr. Curley

Be it resolved that the Hamlet Council approves to adjourn the Regular council meeting on Tuesday, May 26, 2026 at 7:00PM

-Carried-



Mayor Joe Savikataaq Jr.



SAO John Hussey



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