



**Hamlet of Gjoa Haven
Minutes of Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, September 8, 2026
Meeting # 2026-09-08**

Council:

Mayor Raymond Quqshuun
Deputy Mayor Porter
Councilor Miriam Aglukkaq
Councilor Samo Takkiruaq

Councilor Salomie Qitsualik
Councilor Stephanie Aaluk
Councilor Willy Aglukkaq

Regrets: Councilor Hillier and Councilor Akkikungnaq

Staff:

Executive Secretary Catherine Anguttitauruq-Rogers
CAO Jennifer Wakegijig
ACAO Lewisa Oppong
Interpreter Tuppittia Qitsualik

1. Call to Order 7:09pm

Opening Prayer led by Councillor Qitsualik

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion to Approve Agenda

Moved by: Councillor Qitsualik **Seconded by:** Deputy Mayor Porter

Motion # 2026-009-08-001 carried unanimously

3. Delegate Presentations

a. Darryl Dibblee – Government of Nunavut Consultant

Darryl explained that he was hired by the Government of Nunavut, due to the Hamlet's struggles with financial reporting for over a year, with turnover in finance directors. The Government of Nunavut wanted to confirm that our operations were in order, and what expenses we incurred during the water main emergency this past winter.

Darryl indicated that he was very impressed with the management and leadership and professionalism at the Hamlet, that he did not have concerns operationally. He offered to support us with onboarding additional personnel and the new Director. He also indicated that although the numbers are still to be finalized, he will recommend to the government of Nunavut that they reimburse the Hamlet fully for all costs incurred for the water main emergency, likely around \$2M.

Motion # 2026-09-08-002 carried unanimously

4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

None Declared

5. Adoption of Minutes

Motion to Adopt the Minutes from Regular Meeting July 21, 2026

Moved by: Councillor W Aglukkaq **Seconded by:** Councillor Qitsualik

Motion # 2026-09-08-003 carried unanimously

Motion to Adopt the Minutes from Regular Meeting August 25 & 26, 2026

Moved by: Councillor Takkiruq **Seconded by:** Councillor Aaluk

Motion # 2026-09-08-004 carried unanimously

6. Reports

a. CAO Report

- i. Council Meetings will return to twice monthly every two weeks, after a trial of having the meetings on two consecutive days per month
- ii. This morning Mayor Quqshuun was interviewed on CBC about the vandalism to the modular housing units, and about our water treatment plant.
- iii. Roadwork has begun in town – next year more extensive road work will be completed, but for this year, our team is putting a layer of gravel on the top of the road in the places that are the most needed.
- iv. The Siren at the fire hall was burnt out during the power outage in February. A new one is on order. For now, if there is an emergency, the fire truck will sound its siren.
- v. Tomorrow there is a community meeting to review the draft new ATV and Curfew bylaws, which will be discussed later in this meeting.
- vi. A councilor raised concerns about the allegations that CAP Enterprises has been dumping contaminated soil in town. CAO has reached out to the Department of the Environment, as well as to the COO of Nunasi Corp (NCC) who hired CAP for the clean-up of the site where the burnt rubble from the GN building was stored, and they are investigating.

Motion to Accept the CAO Update

Moved by: Councillor Takkiruq **Seconded by:** Councillor Qitsualik

Motion # 2026-09-08-004 carried unanimously

7. Old Business

a. Bylaw # 254 new ATV Bylaw – 2nd Reading

Discussion: Following discussion with the RCMP and others, a simplified version of the bylaw has been created, removing the emphasis on helmets and the number of drivers, and focusing on the behaviours that are creating the most harm and noise in the community (reckless driving, underage driving, and joyriding after curfew. Penalties for all bylaw infractions will be that keys will be held and returned for a small fine, with increasing times for holding keys, and increasing fines.

Council requested that water skipping also

Motion to Proceed with second reading of Bylaw 254 – ATV Bylaw as presented, with the addition of prohibiting water skipping within the municipal boundaries.

Moved by: Councillor W Aglukkaq **Seconded by:** Councillor Qitsualik

Motion # 2026-09-08-005 carried unanimously

8. New Business

a. Bylaw # 254 – updated curfew bylaw

Discussion: The only change to the original curfew bylaw is to the penalties. Following receiving a written order to parents if a child is out after curfew, parents can be referred to the justice committee, and with further violations, parents and children will be banned

from recreation facilities for increasing periods of time. Children can be out during curfew but must be with an adult over 18, who is responsible for them. One councillor noted that this will be difficult to enforce when school is out. The bylaw would only apply to within the municipal boundary and not on the land.

Motion to Proceed with 1st reading of Bylaw 255 – curfew bylaw as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Qitsualik **Seconded by:** Deputy Mayor Porter

Motion # 2026-09-08-006 carried unanimously

Motion to Proceed with 2nd reading of Bylaw 255 – curfew bylaw as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Takkiruq **Seconded by:** Councillor M Aglukkaq

Motion # 2026-09-08-007 carried unanimously

b. Bylaw # 256 – Acquisition Bylaw – Water and Sewer Truck

Motion to Proceed with 1st reading of Bylaw 256, for the acquisition of a new water truck and a new sewer truck, as presented

Moved by: Councillor Qitsualik **Seconded by:** Councillor W Aglukkaq

Motion # 2026-09-08-008 carried unanimously

Motion to Proceed with 2nd reading of Bylaw 256, for the acquisition of a new water truck and a new sewer truck, as presented

Moved by: Councillor Takkiruq **Seconded by:** Deputy Mayor Porter

Motion # 2026-09-08-009 carried unanimously

c. Business License Application

Motion to approve the business license application of MIneOps, who will be installing the modular housing units for the NHC.

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Porter **Seconded by:** Councilor Aaluk

Motion # 2026-09-08-010 carried unanimously

d. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Transportation and Infrastructure Nunavut – agreeing to cover the costs of replacing the broken raw water pump at the pump house at Swan Lake (approximately \$200,000).

Motion to approve the signing of the MOU with TIN, agreeing that the Hamlet will cover the costs of the project to replace the broken water pump at swan lake, let by TIN, at a cost of approximately \$200,000.

Moved by: Councilor W Aglukkaq **Seconded by:** Councilor Takkiruq

Motion # 2026-09-08-011 carried unanimously

e. Development Permit – DP-04-2026 - CopperRidge

Motion to approve DP-04-2026 for Copper Ridge construction of the new 6-bay municipal parking garage on lot 202, Plan 1401.

Moved by: Councilor Qitsualik **Seconded by:** Deputy Mayor Porter

Motion # 2026-09-08-012 carried unanimously

f. Acquisition of Morgue Structure from the Government of Nunavut

Council has approved the allocation of \$400,000 in MCBF funding for the renovation of the morgue, which is the property of the Government of Nunavut, and sits on a lot held by the

Government of Nunavut. CAO has received a document to assign, to acquire the structure, however, the documentation is outstanding related to permission required to renovate a structure on GN land.

Motion to approve the CAO signing the "Surplus Material" requisition received from the GN, and any other relevant documentation required to advance the project of long-needed renovations to the morgue.

Moved by: Councilor Takkiruaq **Seconded by:** Councillor Qitsualik

Motion # 2026-09-08-013 carried unanimously

9. Correspondence

- a. **Letters for Consumer Affairs** in support of council-identified charitable groups receiving lottery licenses in Nunavut.

Motion approving Hamlet Staff to issue letters of support to Consumer Affairs for Charitable Groups in good standing, who wish to apply to Consumer Affairs in Baker Lake for lottery licenses.

Moved by: Councilor W Aglukkaq **Seconded by:** Deputy Mayor Porter

Motion # 2026-09-08-014 carried unanimously

- b. **Letters to Minister Responsible for Housing regarding pathway for evicted tenants of public housing and available supports for them to return to the public housing list.** The letter requested at the last council meeting was reviewed and will be signed by the Mayor and sent to the Minister.

10. Council Concerns

- a. **Councilor Qitsualik**

i. No concerns

- b. **Councilor W Aglukkaq**

i. No concerns – may not be able to make it to community meeting as he will be fishing.

- c. **Deputy Mayor Porter**

i. Is there Hamlet support for people that are housing community members that have been evicted from public housing/homeless people?
CAO will discuss with Family Services

11. Motion To Adjourn at 9:46pm

Moved by: Councillor Qitsualik **Seconded by:** Councilor Aaluk

Motion # 2026-09-08-015 carried unanimously

Mayor



CAO



Date

