

Community Government of Whatì

BYLAW NUMBER 46-2013

A bylaw of the municipal corporation of the Community Government of Whatì in the Northwest Territories to provide for establishment of an Emergency Management Committee and to provide for the safe and effective response to community emergency response and disaster mitigation, pursuant to the provisions of the Tìjcho Community Government Act, S.N.W.T. . 2004, Section 6(1).

WHEREAS the *Tìjcho Community Government Act*, S.N.W.T., 2004, Section 6 (1) provides authority for a community government to make bylaws Council considers appropriate;

AND WHEREAS Council deems it prudent to prepare and approve a Community Emergency Plan for response to a disaster or event that exceeds the capacity of our local emergency services responders;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council of the Community Government of Whatì, in regular session, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

1.0 CITATION OF BYLAW

1.1 This bylaw may be cited as the “**Community Emergency Management Plan Bylaw**”

2.0 DEFINITIONS

2.01 “Act” means the “*Civil Emergency Measures Act*”, R.S.N.W.T. 1988, c.C-9);

2.02 “Community” means the geographic area under the jurisdiction of the Community Government of Whatì;

2.03 “Coordinator the Emergency Management Agency” means the person appointed as the Coordinator under Section 5 of this bylaw;

2.04 “Emergency Management Agency” means the agency established under the bylaw;

2.05 “Emergency Management Committee” means the committee established under this bylaw;

2.06 “Emergency Plan” means the *Community Government of Whatì - Community Emergency Management Plan*;

- 2.07 "Minister" means the Minister responsible for the *Civil Emergency Measures Act*;
- 2.08 "SAO" means the Senior Administrative Officer for the Community Government of Whatì or designate;

3.0 Emergency Management Committee

- 3.1 The Emergency Management Committee is hereby established to advise Council of the Community on the development and maintenance of emergency plans and programs.

4.0 Emergency Management Agency

- 4.1 The Emergency Management Agency is hereby established to act as the agent of Council to carry out its' statutory powers and obligations under the *Act*. The does not include the power to declare, renew, or terminate a State of Local Emergency, or the powers contained in Section 6 or Section 9 of this bylaw.

5.0 Coordinator

- 5.1 The SAO of the Community or designate is hereby appointed the Coordinator of Emergency Management of the Community.

6.0 Council Duties

- 6.1 Council shall:

- 6.1.1 By Motion, appoint three (3) of its' members to serve on the Emergency Management Committee;
- 6.1.2 Provide for the payment of expenses of the members of the Emergency Management Committee;
- 6.1.3 By Motion, appoint a Deputy Coordinator of Emergency Management who shall do those things delegated by or required of the Coordinator of Emergency Management in that persons' absence.
- 6.1.4 Ensure that the emergency plans and programs are prepared to address potential emergencies and disasters in the Community Government of Whatì.
- 6.1.5 Ensure the public is informed of the emergency Management program and community risks.
- 6.1.6 Approve the *Community Government of Whatì - Community Emergency*

Management Plan and program; and

6.1.7 Review the status of the Community Emergency Plan, and related plans and programs, at least once each year.

6.2 Council may:

6.2.1 By bylaw borrow, levy, appropriate and expend, without consent of the electors, all sums required for the operation of the Emergency Management Agency;

6.2.2 Enter into agreements with and make payments or grants, or both, to persons or organizations for the provision of services in the development or implementation of emergency plans or programs, including mutual aid plans and programs; and

6.2.3 During or within 60 days after the declaration of a State of Local Emergency, by bylaw, borrow the necessary funds to pay for the expenses of the emergency under the provisions and conditions of Sections 17(4) and (5) of the *Act*.

7.0 Committee Structure

7.1 The Emergency Management Committee shall be composed of those listed in the *Community Government of Whatì - Community Emergency Management Plan*.

8.0 Committee Procedures

8.1 Meetings of the Committee shall be held at a time as deemed necessary to be set Motion of Council.

8.2 A quorum for regular and special meetings of the Committee shall be six (6) members of the different organizations, one of whom shall be a Councillor.

8.3 The Chair or Alternate Chair may call Special Meetings. Special Meetings of the Committee may be called on forty-eight (48) hours written notice by the Chair at the request of any four (4) members of the Committee.

8.4 The Chair, when present and every Committee member shall vote on every matter unless, in a specific case, the Chair or any member is excused by Motion of the Committee from voting.

8.5 Any Conflict of Interest legislation or policy adopted by Council shall be applicable to the Committee.

8.6 Neither the Committee, nor any member thereof, shall have the power to pledge

the credit of the Community in connection with any matters whatsoever, nor shall the Committee or any member thereof, have any power to authorize any expenditure charged against the Community.

8.7 Meeting procedures shall be conducted in accordance with the Bylaw 23-2011, Council Procedures Bylaw.

8.8 All meetings of the Committee shall be open to the public, and the Chair shall present and review the Committee minutes of every meeting at the next Regular Council Meeting.

9.0 Duties of the Emergency Management Committee

9.1 The Emergency Management Committee shall:

9.1.1 Review the Community Emergency Management Plan and related plans and programs on a regular basis, and

9.1.2 Advise Council, duly assembled, on the status of the Community Emergency Management Plan and related plans and programs at least once a year.

10.0 Composition of the Emergency Management Agency

10.1 The Emergency Management Agency shall be composed of those listed in the *Community Government of Whatì - Community Emergency Management Plan*.

11.0 Duties of the Coordinator

11.1 The Coordinator of Emergency Management shall:

11.1.1 Prepare and coordinate the Community Government of Whatì - Community Emergency Management Plan and related plans and programs;

11.1.2 Act as Chair of the Emergency Management Committee and the Emergency Management Agency;

11.1.3 Submit to Council and accounting of the costs of an emergency management response;

11.1.4 Coordinate all emergency services and other resources used in an emergency;

11.1.5 Develop and implement an annual public education and awareness program;

11.1.6 Ensure that someone is designated to discharge the responsibilities specified in 11.1.1 through 11.1.5 above.

12.0 GENERAL

12.1 Bylaw 31-92 is hereby repealed.

12.2 This Bylaw shall come into effect upon Third and Final Reading.

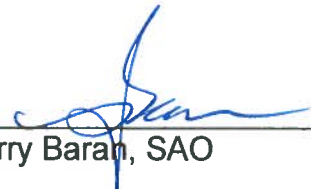
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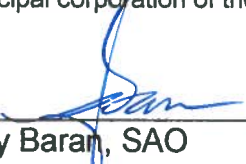


Chief Alfonz Nitsiza



Larry Baran, SAO

As per Section 71(1)(d) of the *Tł̓ch̓q̓ Community Government Act*, I hereby certify that this bylaw has been made in accordance with the requirements of *Tł̓ch̓q̓ Community Government Act*, and the bylaws of the municipal corporation of the Community Government of Whatl.



Larry Baran, SAO

