



CIVIL SECURITY Department
ACTIVITY REPORT
NOVEMBER 2022 TO FEBRUARY 2023

The role of the Civil Security Department is to increase awareness of the importance of emergency preparedness in the communities and support-related activities. In particular, the Department works closely with the 14 Northern Villages to strengthen planning, human and physical resources for fire departments and search and rescue operations.

Human Resources

Civil Security administration Coordinator, Sonia Gosselin left the civil security department in December. This posting has been opened as well as postings for a second full time Public Safety and Fire Prevention Technician, a Search and Rescue Coordinator, a mechanic to assist with verification of municipal fire trucks and specialized rescue equipment including the rescue boats, and an administrative technician.

Revised Nunavik Fire Safety Cover Plan (NFSCP): Infrastructure Work and Annual Report

The renovation work of the Puvirnituk Fire Hall has started in December and should be completed by the beginning of June 2023.

The contractor informed KRG that renovation of the Inukjuak Fire Hall project will start in May 2023.

The Municipal Public Works (MPW) department along with Civil Security department are preparing a call for tender for the renovation of Kangirsuk, Aupaluk and Tasiujaq Fire Halls for completion in 2023.

A contract was awarded to ICO solution for the implementation of a Fire Management Software. This to create a centralised system to enter all fire, activity and occurrence reports for all municipalities. This software will improve reporting and data management of all emergency reports once fully operational.

A second Public Tender has been launched for the acquisition of new fire trucks for Nunavik as identified in the NFSCP.

Fire Prevention

In collaboration with the Communications department, fire safety messages have been promoted on KRG's Facebook page. In addition, during the Christmas campaign, the civil security department created and distributed fire safety messages for local FM to remind people to be careful during the holiday period.

The Fire prevention technician prepared the NFSCP annual report that will be transmitted to the Ministry of public security. As well verification and compilation of the regional fire statistics.

Changes proposal in the annual Subsidy for the Northern Village

The Civil Security department is presenting at the regional council a new proposal for changes to the annual civil security subsidy to municipalities. The FIRE SAFETY ACT binds the KRG and the Municipalities together towards the achievement of the objectives and actions set out in the NFSCP.

Nunavik Emergency Preparedness Plan (NEPP)

A first official Nunavik–Regional Emergency Preparedness Advisory Committee (N-REPAC) sitting with all regional partner organisations to present the Nunavik Emergency Preparedness Plan will be convened in 2023 to continue building the partnership foundations needed for success.

Unorganized Territory (UT)

Promoters continue to send us their emergency plans for their 2023 fieldwork, this will ensure minimal information will be required in case of an emergency.

Nunavik Roundtable on Search and Rescue

The Nunavik Roundtable on Search and Rescue took place from December 11 to 13 in Montreal. Representatives of KRG, Makivik, all Nunavik municipalities, NPS, SQ, CCG, CCGA, JRCC's Trenton and Halifax as well as provincial and federal departments participated. Passionate and creative discussions were achieved. A record of discussion and a summary report is expected in February.

This will help in the mandate given to Civil Security to gain an overview and understanding of the uniqueness and numerous idiosyncrasies of all Nunavik Search and Rescue practices, and to make recommendations to the KRG Regional Council for short and long term Nunavik SAR priorities.

Firefighter Training

Ongoing collaboration during this quarter with KRG Transportation Department during their Airport Emergency and Security exercises proved beneficial for both departments as well as the participating NV Fire Departments.

Fire Chiefs were informed and encouraged that their firefighters could enroll for in-community First Aid and CPR courses offered by KI during this quarter.

In December a monthly training calendar for 2023 was prepared and shared with all municipal fire chiefs. This to provide a common template for all Nunavik fire firefighters to follow with the aim to maintain and improve the special skills inherent to their duties.

Assistance to Municipalities

Civil Security Technicians visited Inukjuak, Puvirnituq, Quaqtaq, Tasiujaq and Kangirsuk in January. Kangirsuk fire trucks CAFS system was repaired as well as their annual calibration of their Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) was achieved.

The civil security department acquired an underwater drone with a 4K zoom camera. The drone has an autonomy of 3.5 hours and can reach a maximum depth of 100 meters. The three (3) Civil Security technicians will be trained to use the drone to make research in Nunavik waters and will be available to assist in Marine Search and Rescue.

Other Activities

Inullicare continues to provide Psychological health support (trauma response service) to the firefighters of Nunavik during this quarter.

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