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Josh Mapsalak cuts open the steaming rib cage of a female caribou in front of a Naujaat home on Oct. 24. His friend, Lionel Angotingoar, shot three caribou — two female, one male — just a few hours earlier. The successful hunt happened less than five kilometres from town. These caribou had an odour to them, as mid-October means it's mating season. (Photo by David Venn) ᔭᕆ ᒪᐸᓛᒃ ᐱᓚᒃᓯᔪᖅ ᑐᒃᑑᑉ ᓴᒐᕕᐊᓂᒃ ᓈᐅᔾᔪᑦ ᖃᓂᒋᔭᖕᒐᓂ ᐊᖏᕋᓇᔭᐅᔫᑉ ᐅᒃᑑᐱᓇ 24-ᒥ. ᐱᖃᓐᓇᓇᔭᖕᒐ ᓚᐃᓄᑦ ᐊᖑᑎᙵᐊᕐ, ᐱᖕᒐᓱᓂ ᑐᒃᑐᓚᐅᕐᒪᑦ — ᒪᕐᑑᒃ ᐊᕐᓇᕐᔫᒃ ᐊᒻᒪ ᐊᑕᐅᓯᖅ ᐊᖑᑎ — ᐅᓪᓗ ᐃᓚᖕᒐᓂᒃ. ᐊᖑᓇᓱᖕᓂᖕᒐ ᐊᓂᒍᑦᑎᐊᓕᓚᐅᕐᑐᖅ 5 ᑭᓛᒥᑦ ᐅᖕᒐᓱᖕᓂᓕᖕᒥ ᓇᐅᔾᔪᓂ. ᐅᑯᐊᓕ ᑐᒃᑐᐃᑦ ᑎᐱᕐᑲᓚᐅᕐᑐᑦ ᓲᕐᑲᐃᒻᒪ ᐅᒃᑑᐱᓇᐅᑉ ᕿᑎᐊᓂ ᓄᓕᐊᓕᖅᑲᑦᑕᕐᒪᑕ. (ᐊᔾᔨᓕᐅᓇᓗ ᑕᐃᕕᑦ ᕕᐊᓐ)

Cambridge Bay mayor Angulalik Pedersen resigns

Council to decide whether to vote on new mayor or hold byelection; deputy-mayor filling in on interim basis

Jeff Pelletier
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Angulalik Pedersen, the mayor of Cambridge Bay, has resigned.

Jim MacEachern, the hamlet's chief administrative officer, confirmed in a phone call that Pedersen submitted his resignation Monday.

MacEachern said that Pedersen did not want to be absent as a mayor while fulfilling his fatherly commitments to his newborn son.

Pedersen could not be reached Tuesday afternoon to elaborate on his resignation.

Pedersen was appointed as mayor, nearly a year ago, on Nov. 4, 2021, after his predecessor, Pamela Gross, was elected as an MLA in the 2021 territorial election and was later named Nunavut's education minister.

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Nominations open for 4 major Inuit organizations

Election day set for Dec. 12

Nunatsiaq News

Election season is heating up for four major organizations that represent Inuit across the territory.

Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated, Kitikmeot Inuit Association, Qikiqtani Inuit Association and Kivalliq Inuit Association are all holding elections on Dec. 12 for various executive and regional positions.

The four groups are designated Inuit organizations under the Nunavut Agreement. They deal in matters such as legal claims, housing and Inuit rights.

Each election is an opportunity for Inuit in the region to pick who they want advocating on behalf of them, their interests and their communities.

The nomination periods are now open, but the clock is ticking. Depending on the organization, nominations will close on Friday or Monday. Read more to learn what each organization does for Inuit and what positions are looking to be filled.

Nunavut Tunngavik Inc.

Nunavut Tunngavik Inc. is the legal representative of all Inuit in Nunavut for treaty rights and treaty negotiations. NTI co-ordinates and manages Inuit responsibilities set out in the Nunavut Agreement and works with the federal and territorial governments on issues such as housing and cultural rights.

This year the organization is electing a new vice-president.

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Days after Mary Papatsie's discovery 'hardest to comprehend' for family

Missing since 2017, woman's remains found in Ottawa; police call it homicide

Andrea Sakiyama Kennedy

For the family of Mary Papatsie, an Inuk woman originally from Pangnirtung who had been missing since 2017, hearing from the Ottawa Police Service that investigators had identified her remains brought a sense of closure, but also a profound sense of loss.

"These past two days have been the hardest to comprehend," said Tommy Papatsie, Mary's brother, speaking to Nunatsiaq News via Facebook Messenger on Monday.

"We have not decided yet on the funeral as it is too early to decide, we are going through grief right now, and that is where [we] are right now."

Papatsie last saw his sister alive in 2012 and said that the family has always wondered what happened to her, what could have gone wrong.

The police department's homicide unit announced Sunday that the remains unearthed at a construction site on Deschamps Avenue in the city's Vanier neighbourhood on Sept. 29 are Mary's. A police spokeswoman confirmed Monday that the case is being treated as a homicide.

The mother of 10 was 39 when she disappeared in April 2017. In 2019, friends and family held a memorial service to grieve the loss and honour her life.

By Monday afternoon, a small memorial had sprung up at the construction site where the remains were found, as community members, friends and family stopped to pay their respects.

Tommy said the memorial isn't surprising given his sister's caring personality, and the fact that she had a lot of friends in Vanier, a neighbourhood a few kilometres east of Ottawa's downtown core, at the time of her disappearance.

"She was always smiling and laughing most of

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More than five years after Mary Papatsie, seen in this undated file photo provided by her family, disappeared in Ottawa, police said Sunday that her remains were discovered at a construction site in the city's Vanier neighbourhood. (Photo courtesy of the Papatsie family)