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Incorporated July 18, 1979, KCC is celebrating it's 40th Anniversary. The organizing committee consisted of Jack Anawak – First President, Ray Mercer, Keith Sharp, and John Todd.

A not for profit society made up of members of the Kivalliq business community. The Chamber is made up largely of small local businesses and the seven Kivalliq municipalities are associate members.

Its role is to act as an advocate on behalf of the Kivalliq business community, to interact with other Chambers for the good of the broader business community, and to assist government in the delivery and critique of government programs that relate to the Kivalliq economy and its business community.

The membership biannually elects an executive and board at the annual general meeting.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Vision - A strong and dynamic economic climate for the betterment of the Kivalliq business community.

Mission - Advocate to governments and other relevant bodies on matters important to the development of a strong and dynamic economic climate in the Kivalliq region.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- President: Patrick Tagoona
- 1st Vice President: Anthony Tootoo
- 2nd Vice President: Harry Aggark
- Secretary Treasurer: Shawn Lester
- Past President: Glenn McLean

The Economy

The Kivalliq economy was largely dominated by the government sector but mineral resource development now holds a significant position in the region. Existing businesses have been expanded and new businesses in catering, mine contracting, expediting, air & marine transportation, and others have been created in the Kivalliq to provide service to the mining activity. The arts economy also remains an important sector in which Kivallirmiut can participate in the economy. Tourism also has strong potential.



Issues important to the Kivalliq Region

- Encourage and support small and medium sized businesses to participate in the economy.
- Ensure infrastructure will meet demands of growth.
- Viable education for high school students.
- Youth participation in the economy.
- Infrastructure more generally such as airports, deep sea ports et al.
- Cost of energy and in particular a link with Manitoba hydro.
- Move the Nunavut to Manitoba road initiative forward
- Good air service.
- Enhanced ties with our closest business partner, Northern Manitoba.
- Establishing a presence nationally through support of the Nunavut Chamber of Commerce.
- Mining and exploration has provided a major economic boost.

Key Initiatives and Objectives

- 2019 AGM in Rankin Inlet and Meliadine Gold Mine.
 - Host the Kivalliq Energy Forum in Rankin Inlet in December, 2019.
 - Advocate with governments, utilities, and other relevant parties on issues important to the Kivalliq business community.
 - Follow up on advocacy efforts and report back to the membership.
 - Support sister chambers and Nunavut Chamber of Commerce.
 - Partner with other organizations to support Kivalliq's business community.
 - Support the development of road, water and air infrastructure.
 - Advance the interest of the business community's goals and objectives.
 - Increase the membership base.
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Become a Member

Kivalliq has a strong business community. KCC plays an important role on advocating on their behalf. In addition, Kivalliq residents get to benefit from this so an active KCC brings value to the region.

KCC is celebrating its 40th anniversary in 2019. This is an important achievement made possible through the commitment of its members over that time. Today, we are still able to advocate and push for the Kivalliq business community because of this.

We encourage you to become a member of the KCC.



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