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**WABUSH TOWN COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING #26-7
July 23rd, 2026**

TIME AND PLACE

A meeting of the Wabush Town Council was held on July 23, 2026. The meeting was called to order at 5:31 pm by Mayor Gertie Canning.

**COUNCILLORS
PRESENT**

Mayor Gertie Canning
Deputy Mayor Temple
Councillor Holloway
Councillor Pynn via Phone
Councillor Hawes via Phone

OTHERS PRESENT

Tiffanee Rideout – Town Clerk
Charlie Perry – Town Manager
Alicia Crowley – Administration

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Temple and seconded by Councillor Holloway to adopt Agenda 26-7 as presented.

All in Favour
Motion Carried

**PROCLAMATION/
VISITORS/PETITIONS**

Nothing at this time.



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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Be it so moved and seconded that Council approve minutes 26-6 as presented.

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Temple
Seconded By: Councillor Holloway

All in Favour
Motion Carried

BUSINESS ARISING ACTION LIST

Enercon Builders are currently on site completing the installation of flashing on the canopy. Welding work for the accessibility ramp and handrail has also commenced. These ongoing efforts represent significant progress toward the completion of the entrance project, bringing it one step closer to being fully operational and ready for public use.

The signage for expectant mothers has been purchased and installed adjacent to the Arena Blue Zone. Once preparations are complete, a public communication will be issued regarding the installation of similar signage at the Recreation Centre/Marc Blue Zone.

Mayor Canning comments that she is very appreciative of this initiative within the Town and commemorates the staff's work.

COMMITTEE REPORT: FINANCE

BE IT RESOLVED that council approves a change order in the amount of \$112,445.44 plus HST to Grey Rock Services for new water service lines and upgraded design plans for the 2nd Avenue Road Reconstruction project #17-RNC-23-00016.

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Temple
Seconded By: Councillor Holloway

Town Manager advised that the change order requirements were based on the need for water supply to key areas within the industrial park to maintain successful completion of the main water restoration.



All in Favour
Motion Carried

BE IT RESOLVED that council approve the request for digital publication for the RNC 36th Annual Crime prevention Guide in the amount of \$313.04 plus HST.

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Temple
Seconded By: Councillor Holloway

All in Favour
Motion Carried

Town Manager comments on the original decline on the request on the basis that there was already an agreement in place for digital publication. After speaking with the organization, clarification was gained and we do have a regular publication occurrence.

BE IT RESOLVED that council approve the request to rent the Party room to a local organization at a discounted rate of 50%.

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Temple
Seconded By: Councillor Holloway

All in Favour
Motion Carried

The Town Manager commented on the reason this motion was brought forward to Council. In accordance with Council policy, requests of this nature are considered based on the organization's history of recurring requests and its role within the community. The motion is then approved or declined by Council as a whole.

BE IT RESOLVED that council approve the 2025 Financial Statements as presented.

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Temple
Seconded By: Councillor Holloway

All in Favour
Motion Carried



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The Town Manager acknowledged and recognized the Auditor who reviewed the Town's 2025 financial statements, expressing appreciation for the outstanding service provided. The Town has entered into a new service agreement, extending the auditing contract for an additional three years to ensure continuity of these services.

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve Tax Discount Applications in the amount of \$39,704.39 to residents of Wabush.

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Temple
Seconded By: Councillor Holloway

All in Favour
Motion Carried

Town Manager acknowledges this amount has been represented on all applications received for the 2026 tax year for both the 50% and 80% reduction.

COMMITTEE REPORT: PLANNING

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve Crown Lands application number 165586 and 165587.

Moved By: Councillor Pynn
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Temple

All in Favour
Motion Carried

Town Manager comments that applications are approved by Crown Land officials in consultation with the Town management team.

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve a 10% height variance on an accessory building located on 74 Snow's Drive.

Moved By: Councillor Pynn
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Temple



All in Favour
Motion Carried

Town Manager states that the variance is within the 10% threshold. Proper procedures were followed by posting the variance publicly for objection.

COMMITTEE REPORT: POLICY

BE IT RESOLVED that Council rescind the Waterline & Sewer line Freeze up and Damage/Blockage Policy as presented.

Moved By: Councillor Pynn
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Temple

All in Favour
Motion Carried

Town Manager acknowledged that Council and Management, while having valid reason to change the policy, recognize the revisions could lead to ramifications at the hands of the Wabush residents in the event of breakage or damage.

Mayor Canning assures us that it was never the intention from Council or Staff to make the prior revisions maliciously that would negatively impact the residents.

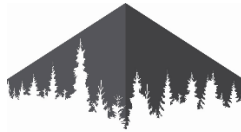
BE IT RESOLVED that Council adopt the amended Waterline & Sewer line Freeze up and Damage/Blockage Policy as presented.

Moved By: Councillor Pynn
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Temple

All in Favour
Motion Carried

Town Manager reassures the comment as previously mentioned on the prior motion to amend the revised policy.

BE IT RESOLVED that Council rescind the COVID-19 Vaccination Policy as presented.



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Moved By: Councillor Pynn

Seconded By: Councillor Holloway

All in Favour
Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORT: Nothing at this time.
PUBLIC WORKS

COMMITTEE REPORT:
RECREATION

Councillor Hawes comments on reminding children to actively play safe while using public roads. Please be mindful and stay safe.

Town manager acknowledges the hard work put forth by the summer students this year. They have done an excellent job with lawn care around the Town.

Town Manager reminds the public that the annual Regatta will be on Friday July 31st please come out and join in on the planned activities for all ages.

Mayor Canning acknowledged the success of the Canada Day celebrations held at Jean Lake this year. With a special shout out to the bands and entertainment that participated for putting off an excellent show. A special thanks to the Town for having the bus available to ensure the people got home safely.

Town Manager speaks as a reminder to the public that the pool will be closed for Maintenance as of July 30th for approximately four weeks.

COMMITTEE REPORT:
MEO/FIRE DEPT.

Deputy Mayor Temple speaks on the most recent appointed Municipal Enforcement Officer while she was here for a short time there was a great deal of work put forth with reviewing workplace health and safety, policies, regulations and on boarding. Thank you for your assistance.



CORRESPONDENCE : Nothing to report.

**ACCOUNTS
PAYABLE:**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush approves Accounts Payable Listing from June 16 – July 16, 2026, in the amount of \$ 352,592.22.

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Temple
Seconded By: Councillor Holloway

All in Favour
Motion Carried

Town manager remarks there is an anticipated increase in Accounts Payable over the next couple of months with the on-going construction and road work being performed.

PERMITS:

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the Following permits:

6956	Excavation
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6958	Excavation
6959	Patio
6960	Patio
6961	Excavation
6962	New Home
6963	Excavation
6964	Excavation
6965	Accessory Building
6966	Patio
6967	Accessory Building
6968	Patio
6969	Excavation
6970	Driveway

Moved By: Councillor Pynn
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Temple

All in Favour
Motion Carried



The Town Manager expressed appreciation for the significant number of permit applications received to date, noting that applications continue to be submitted. This level of activity is a positive indication of ongoing growth and development within the community, reflecting new construction and investment throughout the Town.

Mayor Canning remarks “come get your permit” and extends the same appreciation as mentioned by the Town Manager.

NEW BUSINESS:

Councillor Holloway relays sympathy and well wishes to the families actively grieving the loss of loved ones through a recent ATV accident and fishing accident in Newfoundland and Labrador.

Councillor Holloway extends a warm congratulations and acknowledges Willow Kean, a fellow Wabush resident who grew up on Reid Street. She will be present in a limited Netflix series “Below” starring Josh Hardy.

Mayor Canning counters on Councillor Holloway and extends another heartfelt condolences to the families of Newfoundland and Labrador grieving this loss.

Deputy Mayor Temple commemorates the recent attendance on the Stewardship Association of Municipalities Conference in St. John’s, NL. What was most intriguing that was brought forward was the lack of exploration data and history on bats in Labrador. If anyone in the area locally has bat sightings or knows of colonies, please share that information with her.

Deputy Mayor Temple moves to mention herself and a group of 9 others on behalf of Habitat for Humanity went to Vietnam to assist in building a home. The local group consisted of Deputy Mayor Temple, Inspector Kelly and his wife Nicole Kelly, Ashley Jones and her husband Jason Letto. Among other members from New Brunswick and Ottawa.

Mayor Canning moves to extend another condolence acknowledgement to those who have passed on as residents of Wabush: John Blanchard, Clarence Hall, Marcela Maclean. If



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anyone has been missed an apology is provided in advance and she encourages you to bring forward for the next meeting.

Mayor Canning remarks on Dana and Cordelia of Wabush who competed in the Amazing Race, Canada. A big congratulations and shout out to the incredible Mom and Daughter duo for making our community, surrounding communities and province proud.

Mayor Canning sends a friendly reminder to the parents and children of Wabush to please be mindful and cautious of traffic while out and about on their, bikes, scooters, e-bikes, roller blades, etc. As well as the drivers of Wabush, please slow down, take your time, and be aware of these children as they enjoy their summer.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, meeting was called to adjournment by Councillor Hawes at 5:56 p.m. The next meeting will be held on August 27th, 2026.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gertie Canning
Mayor

Tiffanee Rideout
Town Clerk