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**WABUSH TOWN COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING #26-8
August 27th, 2026**

TIME AND PLACE

A meeting of the Wabush Town Council was held on August 27, 2026. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by Mayor Gertie Canning.

**COUNCILLORS
PRESENT**

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

OTHERS PRESENT

Tiffanee Rideout – Town Clerk
Charlie Perry – Town Manager
Christal Courtney – Administrative Clerk

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

It was moved by Hawes and seconded by Deputy Mayor Temple to adopt Agenda 26-8 as presented.

All in Favour
Motion Carried

**PROCLAMATION/
VISITORS/PETITIONS**

Nothing at this time.



APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Be it so moved and seconded that Council approve minutes 26-7, 26-8S, and 26-8S2 as presented.

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Temple
Seconded By: Councillor Brown

All in Favour
Motion Carried

BUSINESS ARISING ACTION LIST

The de-icing equipment for the Centre steps of the MARC will be placed into service on Monday.

The MARC front steps are currently in service, and work on the ramp, trim, and related items is scheduled to resume shortly. The lift has been inspected and is now operational. Some roofing work was completed two weeks ago; however, final work on the exterior ramp and siding remains outstanding. The railing has been welded, and the final coat of paint is pending. In addition, the area in front of the building has been prepared for asphalt paving.

The Town Manager advised that staff are reviewing the logistics of adding parking spaces to the centre row across from the main entrance of the MARC, as most of the frontage will be designated as a Blue Zone. Alternative locations are being evaluated to determine whether a more suitable option is available. Signage has been purchased and is currently being installed at the Bill Chaplin facility

COMMITTEE REPORT: FINANCE

BE IT RESOLVED that Council agrees to reverse tender the 2012 GMC Sierra 1500 pickup truck as presented.

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Temple
Seconded By: Councillor Hawes

All in Favour
Motion Carried



BE IT RESOLVED that Council agrees to reverse tender the 2013 Ford F150 Super Crew pickup truck as presented.

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Temple
Seconded By: Councillor Holloway

All in Favour
Motion Carried

Town Manager advise that notices will be posted prominently, providing clear instructions for interested parties to submit bids.

BE IT RESOLVED that Council agrees to reverse tender the WIBIT as presented.

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Temple
Seconded By: Councillor Pafford

All in Favour
Motion Carried

Town Manager confirmed the WIBIT was not appropriately sized for our pool area. We hope another pool or supervised outdoor beach facility can utilize it.

BE IT RESOLVED that Council agrees to reverse tender the 950 & 924 loader attachments as presented.

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Temple
Seconded By: Councillor Hawes

All in Favour
Motion Carried

The Town Manager advised that permitted uses of these attachments were limited. The reverse tender will be posted on the Town's website, together with a list of supporting attachments designated for disposal.



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BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves a change order in the amount of \$22,845.00 plus HST to Grey Rock Services for culvert adjustments for the 2nd Avenue Road Reconstruction project #17-RNC-23-00016.

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Temple
Seconded By: Councillor Holloway

All in Favour
Motion Carried

The Town Manager advised that the current work on Second Avenue is in line for asphalt paving and is expected to be completed shortly. Unfortunately, adjustments had to be made to the culverts to ensure proper water flow and stormwater runoff.

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves a change order in the amount of \$19,469.44 plus HST to Grey Rock Services for water main services issues for the 2nd Avenue Road Reconstruction project #17-RNC-23-00016.

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Temple
Seconded By: Councillor Brown

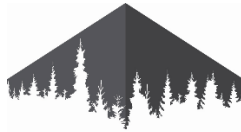
All in Favour

Motion Carried

Additional connections were maintained during the replacement of the watermain section from First to Second Avenue. Continuous water service was ensured for both the wastewater treatment plant and hydro station throughout the project. Two additional valves were also installed as part of this work.

BE IT RESOLVED that Council agrees to sponsor 2 holes in the amount of \$250.00 per hole for a total of \$500.00 for the upcoming Tacora Resources Charity Golf Tournament.

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Temple
Seconded By: Councillor Brown



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All in Favour
Motion Carried

Town Manager expressed satisfaction that three Town teams, including Councillors and employees, will be participating.

COMMITTEE REPORT: PLANNING

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve Crown Lands application number #165719.

Moved By: Councillor Pafford
Seconded By: Councillor Hawes

All in Favour
Motion Carried

Town Manager advised that this is a standard application received by the Town. Staff will review all applications operating within Town boundaries. One additional application was received after the deadline and will be presented at the next Council meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORT: POLICY

BE IT RESOLVED that Council adopt the amended Land Sales Policy as presented.

Moved By: Councillor Hawes
Seconded By: Councillor Pafford

All in Favour
Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORT: PUBLIC WORKS

Councillor Brown would like to issue a public reminder that schools will be reopening soon. Please reduce your speed throughout Town to help ensure the safety of our children. The vacuum truck has completed its work, and all storm systems should now be functioning normally. Jean Lake Beach has been cleaned, additional rocks have been placed, and the trail has been repaired. Work has also been completed at the cemetery.



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**COMMITTEE REPORT:
RECREATION**

Councillor Hawes reported that this year's Regatta was a success and commended the organizing committee for its excellent work. Appreciation was also expressed to the Town employee who assisted in supporting the event.

The 2026 Student Worker Program has concluded. Council extended its thanks to all participating students and wished them well. Their summer contributions provided valuable support to the Town.

The pool was closed for maintenance throughout August. Residents are encouraged to monitor the Town's Facebook page for an official reopening announcement.

A Summer Tween Dance will be held at the Teen Center on August 31st; details have been posted.

Roller skating and blading were offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays during August and were well received.

An issue involving the Teen Center emergency exit and its eave was identified and is being addressed.

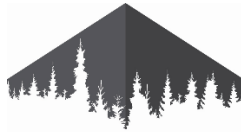
**COMMITTEE REPORT:
MEO/FIRE DEPT.**

Councillor Holloway extends his best wishes to Terry for a successful recovery and return.

Residents are reminded of the Anti-Litter by-law. The sand pit areas are equipped with surveillance cameras and will be patrolled by the MEO officer. Illegal dumping may be reported to Town Hall.

We are currently seeking an intern for the municipal enforcement officer position.

The Town Manager noted that these areas are a privilege. If residents wish to preserve access, dumping in the watershed



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must not occur. The Town is required to protect its watershed and will do so using all available means.

It is important that residents understand the potential consequences their actions can have for the water supplied to the community. Littering is harmful anywhere, but it can create hazards and contaminate the watershed. Residents are encouraged to remain vigilant and act responsibly in these areas.

CORRESPONDENCE :

Councillor Hawes noted that correspondence received this month concerned an Indigenous Women's Health and Wellness workshop in Goose Bay. Information about the workshop has been posted on the Town's Facebook page.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush approves Accounts Payable Listing from July 17 – August 19, 2026, in the amount of \$1,454,340.70 with the following abstentions:

39528	Mayor Canning	Per Diem
39525	Deputy Mayor Temple	Per Diem

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Temple
Seconded By: Councillor Pafford

All in Favour
Motion Carried

The Town Manager noted that accounts payable has increased modestly due to ongoing summer project work. Further increases are anticipated as work progresses on First Avenue, Second Avenue, and MARC. Once those projects are completed, pumphouse work will begin, with a tender expected shortly. As larger invoices are received, accounts payable is expected to remain elevated over the next several weeks.



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PERMITS:

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the Following permits:

6971	Fence	61 Bowater
6972	Excavation	34-36 Commercial
6973	Attached Garage	14 Guy
6974	Front Patio	1 Legge
6975	Driveways	Whiteway
6976	Excavation	16 Anderson
6977	Detached Building	19 Shea
6978	Detached Building	23 Shea
6979	Roof Repairs	4-6 Second Ave
6980	Fence	63 Bowater
6981	Demolition	11 Guy
6982	Porch	12 Grenfell

Moved By: Councillor Pafford

Seconded By: Councillor Brown

All in Favour
Motion Carried

The Town Manager asks residents to submit permit applications promptly. If you are uncertain whether a permit is required, please contact Town Hall for clarification. This will help ensure compliance and avoid unnecessary fines.

NEW BUSINESS:

Councillor Holloway would like to congratulate Labrador Glass on 30 years of successful operation in the Wabush Industrial Park.

Our thoughts and sympathies are extended to the families and communities of Rattling Brook and Westport following the recent loss of lives resulting from fires and bush-harvesting accidents.

I would also like to acknowledge that Labrador West is experiencing a housing shortage.

All development permits are transparent and available for public review during regular town hall hours. The Town will



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actively pursue development opportunities to help address the housing shortage while remaining diligent in ensuring that current residents are not adversely affected. Developers will be required to comply with all applicable legal, provincial, and municipal regulations. The public will be notified of proposed developments, and the Town's formal complaint policy is available online and at Town Hall.

Two accidents were reported during the past two weeks, one involving an eleven-year-old and another involving a young man injured on an ATV.

Residents are reminded that ATVs are prohibited on public highways unless making a direct crossing or traveling a maximum of 1 kilometer on the shoulder of the road to access a trail.

The public is reminded to exercise extra caution now that students have returned to school. Young people may not always be fully attentive while operating ATVs, bicycles, or scooters, so drivers and other road users must remain vigilant.

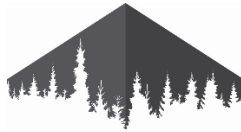
Councillor Hawes noted that younger residents are enjoying the final days of summer and encouraged them to do so safely.

Deputy Mayor Temple acknowledged the Trick Lane Association for hosting the Skateboard/Scooter Competition during last weekend's event. The event was successful, attracting more than 60 registrants, and organizers hope to make it an annual occasion.

She also highlighted the September 21–27 campaign organized by Mothers Against Drunk Driving.

Mayor Canning extended condolences to the family of the late Jessie Hoben.

Children are reminded to exercise caution when using bicycles and scooters. Motorists are also encouraged to remain alert and watch for children and other pedestrians, particularly in residential areas and near schools.



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ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, meeting was called to adjournment by Councillor Brown at 5:58 p.m. The next meeting will be held on September 24, 2026.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gertie Canning
Mayor

Tiffanee Rideout
Town Clerk