

**WABUSH TOWN COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING #16-08
August 23, 2016**

TIME AND PLACE A meeting of the Wabush Town Council was held on Tuesday, August 23, 2016, at the Town Hall in Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order at 5:11 pm by Chairperson Mayor Vardy.

COUNCILLORS PRESENT
Mayor Colin Vardy
Deputy Mayor Terry Curran
Councillor Gertie Canning
Councillor Trevor Dove
Councillor Danyelle Lavers
Councillor Frankie Delahunty
Councillor Rick Burke

OTHERS PRESENT
Mr. Charlie Perry – Town Manager
Ms. Karen Jennings – Director of Finance/Town Clerk
Ms. Louise Aylward – Secretary

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

PROCLAMATION Mayor Vardy signed the Proclamation for Sexual Violence Awareness Week, which runs from September 12-16, 2016.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES It was moved by Councillor Delahunty and seconded by Councillor Lavers to approve minutes 16-07 as presented. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Recreation Centre

Town Manager Perry informed Council he had been in contact with Belfor and they are waiting on a quote from RMS Ltd.

Property on Bowater Drive Ext.

Waiting on Caplyn to get back to legal on this matter.

Letter to Cliff's Mining re: Clean-up of properties

Town Manager informed Council the MEO had sent a letter to Cliff's Mining but has had no response. Legal was consulted and would like to have correspondence forwarded to them to see what can be done about the situation.

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS:
FINANCE**

Supply of Sand Tender TLC-17-16

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Curran and seconded by Councillor Burke that the Town of Wabush approve the award of Contract for Supply of Sand Tender TLC-17-16 to R&B Equipment for the price of \$81,937.50, including HST. All in favour.

Motion Carried

Annual Golf Tournament

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Curran and seconded by Councillor Delahunty that the Town of Wabush approve the registration of one team of four people in the Labrador West Chamber of Commerce Annual Golf Tournament on August 28th, 2016. All in favour.

Motion Carried

Travel Costs MNL Attendance, Premier's Conference, Taskforce

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Curran and seconded by Councillor Lavers to approve cost of travel to St. John's in October for the MNL Convention, Premier's Forum and Taskforce Meeting.

Votes For

Deputy Mayor Curran
Councillor Canning
Councillor Dove
Councillor Canning
Councillor Lavers
Councillor Burke

Votes Against

Councillor Delahunty

Motion Carried

Lost Wages

It was motioned by Councillor Burke and seconded by Councillor Dove that the Town of Wabush approve payment of lost wages for Mayor Vardy while out of town on town business. All in favour.

Motion Carried.

Committee Report

Ms. Jennings informed Council that 2015 Audit still has not been completed. She will touch base with our accountant to see if things

can be expedited as the Tax Recovery Plan and Financial Statements have to be sent before she can apply for the Municipal Operating Grant.

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS:
PLANNING**

Councillor Delahunty informed Council that since the Director of Planning and Land Use has been on vacation and sick leave, there have been no Planning Meetings this month.

Applications for Building Permits have remained steady.

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS:
PUBLIC WORKS**

- No reports from Health & Safety
- All safety contacts held and attended
- Three employees attended Trenching Training at Dexter Institute.
- All sewer lines with exception of Grenfell Drive, done. Waiting on pipe extensions for vac truck to finish. Parts are in and work will resume next week.
- Six storm system manhole covers raised which was target for this year.
- hydrant flushing completed, hydrant tops painted.
- Four sidewalk repairs completed on Whiteway, Shea, Bowater and Carson.
- Line painting completed for the year using an epoxy paint with three year life. Will order some for next year to finish areas not yet completed. Critical areas done, town entrance, school zones and playgrounds.
- Sewage plant repairs started by RMS. All parts replaced. Ovivo Rep coming next week and we will meet with him.
- Re-sodded a section of Jean Lake stage area with sods cut from playground where new equipment is going.
- Old salt shed torn down and replaced with two SEACANS
- Repaired Wheel-Chair Ramp at Recreation Centre. Have a quote back to checker plate for a final repair, pending approval if needed.
- Water dig at 72 Whiteway completed, lawn and sidewalk repaired.
- Stop signs around town being repaired and levelled.
- Cold patching ongoing.
- Still waiting for paving plant to re-open to have paving jobs done around town. Public Works employees will do jobs themselves.
- All vehicles have been or are in process of being winterized and ready for winter.

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS:
MEO/FIRE DEPT**

Fire Hall

- the outside Supervisor has informed Councillor Canning that P/W has been working at the Fire Hydrants, with attention to fixing critical hydrants. Painting hydrants was done by Summer Students and are almost finished.

- Fire Department is well under budget this year, having used only 18% of budgeted amount.
- Councillor Canning has just returned from vacation and MEO Roberts is on vacation. The Health and Safety Manuals have been issued to all staff and employees with the Town.
- Good turnout at the last regular Fire Fighters' Meeting.
- Advertisement for new volunteer Fire Fighters will be placed in Aurora and on the website.
- Mayor asked the Town Manager to get some information about the Fire-Fighters' Ball. If an earlier date could be arranged it would be a good thing as the event was held late in 2015.

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS:
RECREATION**

Special Events Committee

Councillor Lavers informed Council the "Jammin' at Jean" event on August 20th, went very well with approximately 300 people in attendance. There was not a lot of activity before 8:00 p.m. Need more activities to keep young children interested.

Councillor Delahunty received comments from residents approving of really good turnout and having the event indoors, so weather conditions, flies, etc. were not an issue. People asked that more such events could be held. One issue arising was that people with Celiac Disease would like future events to provide beverages which do not contain gluten. Councillor Delahunty commented that there were only four security people on duty. He feels there should be more security at these events.

Councillor Lavers offered, on behalf of the Recreation Committee, a special Thank You and sincere appreciation to Charlie Perry and Town Hall Staff, Public Works and Parks and Recreation Staff for all the help for the "Jammin' at Jean" event. Special thanks to our two community volunteers, Jim Dobbin and Chuck Porter and Town employee, Melanie LaFosse. Melanie and Jim went above and beyond to make sure this event was successful. Chuck provided top-notch sound and DJ services as he has done in the past for Town events. She was very impressed with the help from the business community.

Mayor Vardy commented that the Labrador West Youth Group did well. He thinks the Fire Department should be present where there is a large gathering of people although the Arena is well equipped with a hose system.

TOWN MANAGER

- Initial meeting for contract negotiations with the Union has been held. Next meeting set for October.
- Next meeting for Recreation Support will be September 10 due to availability

- Informed Council they are looking at the budget for 2017 and what should be done leading into starting up this fall. Drawing up various scenarios to see what will be best approach.
- Planning meetings with all employees throughout this week to give an update on ongoing meetings relative to Recreation. This is outside of negotiations.
- Compiling a list of potential tender items. Mayor had questions on old 950 loader. Mr. Perry informed him that if price offered is not suitable, the loader will be kept. Mayor suggested to try out auctions online, such as Iron Planet. Another suggestion was, since the Town will have to purchase a new piece of equipment in the next year or so, maybe the company we purchase from may take the loader as trade in. Town Manager will check it out.
- Waste Management Meeting requested. May hear back this week.
- Ice will be on at Arena by October 02, 2016.
- Tiles in Ladies' Change room at Recreation Centre are in process of being replaced.
- Diving Board has been ordered.
- Two of four playground pieces have been put out. Picnic table and garbage bin have been added at Trailer Court Playground. Waiting on piece to finish installing garbage bin in place.
- Retirement Breakfast on Thursday, August 24, 2016 at 8:00 a.m. Invitations gone out.

Deputy Mayor Curran offered a "shout-out" to Wabush resident, Don O'Leary for working on Jean Lake Trail, as he has been replacing any damaged boards on the wooden walks. Council is aware of his commitment and are thankful as we could have a possible safety issue there if he wasn't volunteering his time.

Councillor Burke left Chambers at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Vardy asked about the problem with the washroom pipes at the Labrador West Teen Centre. He was informed that Rumbolt's may be called to assess the situation and the Town will do as much as possible to help with fixing the problem

Town Manager informed the Mayor that he and the Director of Finance will be meeting with Cathy Coish from Town of Labrador City this week to get information on our cost for Waste Management.

Deficiencies Update - Reid Street Repair and Hydro-seeding. The Town Manager will contact Nova Consulting to see when these

items will be completed. There is a policy in place stating hydro-seeding must be done by Labour Day weekend.

CORRESPONDENCE

Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador

InfoNote: July 29, 2016
August 05, 2016
August 12, 2016
August 19, 2016

MNL AGM 2016 Registration Package

- List of accommodations in St. John's for MNL Convention
- Refunds: Be aware of MNL's AGM refund policy: Request in writing by September 02, 2016
- Board nominations open on Monday, August 01, 2016 and close on Thursday, September 08, 2016
- Important documents for Council: AGM 2016: Notice of Motion
- Fax from Mayor Karen Oldford, President: Re: 2016 NML Annual General Meeting – Notice of Motion
- Coming to the MNL AGM? Remember to bring your dungarees
- Second Call for 2016 Resolutions
- Final Call for 2016 Resolutions – extended to August 26, 2016
- 2016 Nomination Board of Directors

Send Registration to MNL Convention for four people, two Council and two members of Staff

Department of Municipal and Intergovernmental Affairs

Information Circular Re: Revised Project Status Report Template

No Action Required

Office of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency, Executive Council

- Reminder: On-line Climate Change Strategy Consultation Sessions
- Provincial Climate Change Strategy Consultations

- Premier's Forum on Local Government
- RW: Premier's Forum – Candidate Selection Deadline
- Announcement of Regional Representatives
- Regional Representatives – 2016 Premier's Forum on Local Government

No Action Required

Government of Newfoundland and Labrador, Service NL

- Bacteriological Water Analysis Report - August 05, 2016
- Department of Environment and Conservation, Water Resources Management RE: Wabush – Wahnahnish Lake PPWSA – Road Grading – Town of Wabush
- Approval Ironstone Quarry – Grey Rock Services Ltd.

No Action Required

Newfoundland and Labrador Association of Fire Services

Memorial Service - #NLAFS2016

No Action Required

Stewardship Association of Municipalities, SAM

- Fall Meeting Invitation
- SAM Newsletter #5: Summer 2016

No Action Required

Municipal Assessment Agency Inc.

Municipal Assessment Agency Update

No Action Required

Department of Municipal Affairs, Office of the Minister

RE: Disposal of Land

No Action Required

IOCC

External Stakeholder Business Brief, July 2016

Memo to all IOC employees – Safety and production shortfalls result in decision to delay Wabush 3 development

No Action Required

FCM

FCM Voice – Week of August 8, 2016

No Action Required

Canadian Public Works Association (CPWA)

Notice of Fall Conference 2016

Town Manager will see if an employee needs to be sent for training.

Labrador West Pride Inc.

Thank you letter

No Action Required

Training Expo Atlantic

Training Expo 2016 – August 25th – Free Registration!

Town Manager will look into possibility of sending someone

Crisis & Trauma Resource Institute (CTRI)

De-escalating Potentially Violent Situations Training

This can be done online by the MEO and employees in Town Office

The Harris Centre, MUN

Regional Newsletter: Events, Research and Other Harris Centre News

No Action Required

Department of Advanced Education and Skills

Planning for the Future – Provincial roundtables on New Provincial Immigration Strategy

Can be done online as the roundtable is being held in Goose Bay

NL Sexual Assault Crisis and Prevention Centre, Janet Lee, Crisis Support

Sexual Violence Awareness Week (Sept.12 – 16, 2016) Proclamation

Proclamation signed

Combined Councils

Fwd: FWD: the Energy innovation Program: Clean Energy Innovation

No Action Required

USW Local 6185

Atlantic Steelworkers Conference

Mayor or Deputy Mayor have received an invitation to attend and bring greetings from the Town.

NL Hydro

Power Interruption – Saturday, August 20, 2016

Power Interruption - Sunday, August 21, 2016

No Action Required

Mayor Vardy and Councillor Dove left Chambers at 6:23 p.m. stating conflict of interest.

**ACCOUNTS
PAYABLE**

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Curran and seconded by Councillor Delahunty that Accounts Payable list in the amount of \$ 162,180.99 excluding # 027638 for July 22 to August 18, 2016, be approved as presented. All in favour.

Motion Carried

Mayor Vardy and Councillor Dove returned to Chambers at 6:24 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Curran left Chambers at 6:24 p.m. – conflict of interest

It was moved by Councillor Canning and Seconded by Councillor Delahunty to approve # 027638 for H.J. O’Connell in the amount of \$4,018.33. All in favour.

Motion Carried

Deputy Mayor Curran returned to Chambers at 6:25 p.m.

PERMITS

# 5554	82 Bond Street	Excavation for lower curb
# 5599	3 Second Avenue	Replace concrete pad
# 5604	16 Winter Avenue	Excavate for landscaping
# 5608	First Avenue	Replace existing water service

# 5609	61 Bowater Drive	Erect side/rear fence
# 5610	18 Cabot Drive	Replace front patio steps
# 5611	16 Morris Avenue	Install driveway
# 5612	88 Cabot Drive	Replace front yard patio
# 5613	Grenfell Drive	Erect "Mental Health" Sign
# 5614	20 Bowater Drive	Erect Temporary Shed
# 5615	41 Snow's Drive	Replace part Basement Foundation
# 5616	22 Winter Avenue	Unattached Garage
# 5619	18-32 Commercial St.	Pave driveway with recycled asphalt

It was moved by Councillor Delahunty and seconded by Councillor Lavers the Town approve permits as presented. All in favour.

Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business Councillor Delahunty moved to adjourn at 6:26 p.m. Next Council Meeting September 20, 2016 at 5:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Colin Vardy
Mayor

Karen Jennings,
Director of Finance/Town Clerk

CV: KJ:cla