

**WABUSH TOWN COUNCIL  
COUNCIL MEETING #16-07  
July 26, 2016**

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| <b>TIME AND PLACE</b>                | A meeting of the Wabush Town Council was held on Tuesday, July 26, 2016, at the Town Hall in Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order at 5:01 pm by Chairperson Mayor Vardy.  |
| <b>COUNCILLORS PRESENT</b>           | Mayor Colin Vardy<br>Deputy Mayor Terry Curran<br>Councillor Gertie Canning<br>Councillor Trevor Dove<br>Councillor Danyelle Lavers<br>Councillor Frankie Delahunty  |
| <b>OTHERS PRESENT</b>                | Mr. Charlie Perry – Town Manager<br>Ms. Louise Aylward – Secretary<br>Ms. Sharon Godoy, Resident<br><br>Mayor welcomed Ms. Godoy to Chambers   |
| <b>COUNCILLORS ABSENT</b>            | Councillor Rick Burke  |
| <b>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</b>           | It was moved by Councillor Canning and seconded by Deputy Mayor Curran to approve minutes 16-06 as presented. All in Favour.<br><br>Motion Carried   |
| <b>BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES</b> | <b><u>Tax Collection</u></b><br><br>Doing much better with collection of taxes.<br><br><b><u>Public Works</u></b><br><br>Majority of crosswalks have been painted, in the school zones and playgrounds have been done. Have to order more paint to complete work.<br><br><b><u>Waste Management</u></b><br><br>Town Manager will check with Labrador City re: percentage of payment for landfill use. Person who manages this for Labrador City is on vacation and should be back next week.<br><br><b><u>Snow's Drive</u></b><br><br>Repair has been completed. |

### **Recreation Centre**

Cost of work to be covered by insurance but strapping will be Town's expense

### **Bowater Drive**

Town Manager has reached out to legal on the matter.

### **Trailer Court**

A motion will be made concerning the matter.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS: FINANCE**

### **Committee Report**

Looking at overall budget for 2017. Keep in mind remuneration is low and any decision will affect next incoming council.

2015 Audit should be ready in two weeks.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS: PLANNING**

### **Home Based Business**

It was moved by Councillor Delahunty and seconded by Councillor Lavers that the Town of Wabush approve home based business for "Hotheads" located at 2 Reid Street, advertised June 19<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016 with no objections or comments received. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

### **Sign Location**

It was moved by Councillor Delahunty and seconded by Councillor Dove that the Town of Wabush approve a sign location for Mental Health at the Tidy Towns sign display and with permit fee waived. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

### **Application for Medical Marijuana Dispensary**

It was moved by Councillor Delahunty and seconded by Councillor Canning that the Town of Wabush decline application for a medical marijuana dispensary due to grey area of knowledge from province and other agencies. As per info from RNC, this type of clinic still go through search warrants, etc... and medical marijuana still will be considered the same as any marijuana as dispensaries haven't been approved within the province. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

**COMMITTEE  
REPORTS:  
PUBLIC WORKS**

June – July report

Handyman strained back but has since returned to work with no restrictions.

About 80% finished dragging sewer lines in town. Work will continue until completed

Lifting sunken storm covers around town. Three completed. Plan to lift 3 more this year. Two man job.

Old 950 Loader needs some work done to complete its maintenance, bushings, etc. Other equipment is in good condition.

**COMMITTEE  
REPORTS:  
MEO/FIRE DEPT**

**Fire Hall**

Hydrant flushing 80% completed.

Councillor Delahunty asked that the sunken manhole cover in front of Regatta site should be looked at before Friday due to safety issue.

Councillors Delahunty and Canning commented that students were doing a great, safe job with work around town.

There are some concerns with water pressure in hydrants. There are 6-8 kits on hand and will be used to repair some of the hydrants. Hydrants are to be painted to reflect how much pressure each hydrant has.

Fire inspections are going well.

As to the fire in the Menihek Shopping Centre this week, the MEO is doing a full inspection as there are many fire hazards in the building.

There is some concern as to the number of firefighters who turned up to the call. A second call had to be issued.

**COMMITTEE  
REPORTS:  
RECREATION**

**Special Events Committee**

Councillor Lavers reported that the Tragically Hip Concert for the mid-summer festival is a go. There will be a Family Day earlier in the day starting at 2:00 p.m. She has been in touch with the Young Peoples' Association and other volunteers.

The MEO is concerned with the gas detector in the filter room of the Recreation Centre being turned off. The Town Manager will check to see if it is on now and remains on as it is a safety concern.

The pool goes down for annual maintenance on August 01, 2016. Short duration of maintenance – 2 weeks approximately.

Mayor asked if there was any update with the possible Labrador City contribution to the upkeep of the Centre as residents are asking for information

## **TOWN MANAGER**

- Letter sent to Union Representative today about union negotiations.
- Possibility of approaching Cliffs Resources as to whether there can be an agreement of land in lieu of taxes.
- Director of Finance to go for training.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

### 1) Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador

InfoNote: June 25, 2016  
July 01, 2016  
July 08, 2016

Local Government Summit

Department of Municipal Affairs – Municipal Budget Training Sessions

Department of Municipal Affairs – Long Service Awards

We Want Your Input

MNL Convention Registration is now open!

*Discussion on who will attend: possibly Mayor, Town Clerk and Town Manager. Councillor Canning will be in St. John's for job training so she may attend, depending on dates and training commitments. Will look at booking four rooms tentatively.*

### 2) Fisheries Protection Program, Fisheries and Oceans Canada

Changes to NL Timing Windows to Avoid Harm to Fish and Fish Habitat

No Action Required

### 3) Dept of Municipal Affairs, MNL, Combined Councils of Labrador, PMA and the Office Of Public Engagement

Premier's Forum on Local Government

– Regional Nominated Candidates to Date

– Candidate selection form – Labrador Region

– Deadline Reminder

– Important Reminder – Candidate Selection Resolution from Council

*Candidate selection to be sent this week.*

4) Government of Newfoundland and Labrador, Service NL

Re: Boil Water Advisory for Industrial Park, Wabush Airport and CFLCo

Bacteriological Water Analysis Report

Re: Removal of Boil Water Advisory

Bacteriological Water Analysis Report

Re: Plans – Proposed Addition to Atlas Copco Warehouse – 5 Second Avenue, Wabush, NL

No Action Required

5) Hydro – Power Outages

Power Interruption for July 05, 2016

Power Interruption for July 17, 2016

Power Interruption for July 24, 2016

No Action Required

6) Christa Kerfont, Advisor, Communications & External Relations, IOCC

IOC/QNSL 2016 Railway Safety Award

External Stakeholder Business Brief – June 2016

No Action Required

7) Federation of Canadian Municipalities

President's Corner

FCM Voice – Week of June 27, 2016

FCM Voice – Week of July 04, 2016

FCM Voice – Week of July 22, 2016

No Action Required

8) Government of Newfoundland and Labrador, Minister Responsible for The Office of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency

Launch of Consultations to engage residents & stakeholders in development of new provincial strategy on climate change.

Final Reminder: Climate Change Strategy consultations – Happy Valley-Goose Bay

No Action Required

9) Newfoundland and Labrador Public Libraries

Re: Closure of Wabush Public Library

No Action Required

10) Newfoundland and Labrador Association of Fire Services

Issue 14 of Fire News

No Action Required

11) Alberta Centre for Sustainable Rural Communities

Inform researchers about Rural Community Capacity: A Survey

No Action Required

12) Memorial University, Dr. Delores V. Mullins

Public Consultation

No Action Required

13) Municipal Assessment Agency

Clar Simmons Scholarship

*Make available to Council and Town Employees*

14) Tour Labrador, Carmen Hancock

Warm Welcome – New Destination Labrador Tourism Coordinator

No Action Required

15) NLAMA, Krista Planke

MSC – NL – New Safety Advisor on Staff

Information

16) Stewardship Association of Municipalities, (SAM)

SAM Fall Meeting Invitation

SAM: Reminder

No Action Required

- 17) CBC/Radio Canada  
 CBC/Radio Canada Celebrates Canada 150 in 2017  
 No Action Required
- 18) Professional Municipal Administrators  
 Recap – PMA Meetings held June 23-25, 2016  
 No Action Required
- 19) NL Community Sector News  
 NL CSC News - July  
 No Action Required
- 20) Combined Councils of Labrador  
 Nominations for the Wayne Earle Community Service Award  
*Mayor advised Council if they know of anyone for this award to put the name forward*
- 21) Government of Newfoundland and Labrador, Office of the Premier  
 Response to letter from Mayor Vardy re: meeting  
*Will check on date Premier will be in Labrador West to make sure Mayor is available for meetings as it falls within vacation period.*
- 22) Department of Seniors, Wellness and Social Development  
 Accessible Taxi - Grant Program – Request for Proposals  
 Councillor Lavers asked if it is possible to pass along this information to a local cab company to see if there is any interest.

**ACCOUNTS**

Deputy Mayor Curran left Chambers at 5:49 p.m. citing conflict of interest

**PAYABLE**

It was moved by Councillor Canning and seconded by Councillor Dove that Accounts Payable list in the amount of \$ 127,674.81 for June 17<sup>th</sup> to July 21, 2016, be approved as presented. All in favour.

Motion Carried

Deputy Mayor Curran returned to Chambers at 5:50 p.m.

## PERMITS

It was moved by Councillor Delahunty and seconded by Councillor Dove to approve the following permits:

|        |                      |   |
|--------|----------------------|---|
| # 5555 | 3 Second Street      | To backfill parking lot                         |
| # 5559 | 4 Grenfell Drive     | To erect shed                                   |
| # 5563 | 181 Grenfell Drive   | Front yard patio                                |
| # 5564 | 11 Walsh Avenue      | Re-shingle Roof                                 |
| # 5565 | 181 Grenfell Drive   | Excavate to install French Drain                |
| # 5566 | 58 Bpmd Street       | Front/rear side yard fence                      |
| # 5567 | 141 Bowater Dr. Ext. | Front/rear side yard fence                      |
| # 5569 | 33 Winter Avenue     | Replace Front yard pation                       |
| # 5570 | 33 Winter Avenue     | Install concrete driveway                       |
| # 5571 | 1 First Avenue       | to erect Industrial Building                    |
| # 5572 | 136 Grenfell Drive   | Re-shingle roof                                 |
| # 5573 | 126 Bowater Dr. Ext. | Rear yard fence                                 |
| # 5574 | 167 Grenfell Drive   | To erect an detached garage                     |
| # 5576 | 19 Banting Street    | Repair retaining wall                           |
| # 5578 | 19 Banting Street    | To erect a detached garage                      |
| # 5579 | 21 McGregor Avenue   | Rear yard fence                                 |
| # 5580 | 23 Winter Avenue     | Rear yard fence                                 |
| # 5581 | 15 Cashin Avenue     | Replace existing patios                         |
| # 5586 | 128 Bowater Dr. Ext. | Install concrete driveway                       |
| # 5587 | 2 Airport Road       | Excavate – new sewer line, Airport              |
| # 5588 | 1 Second Street      | To re-instate curb                              |
| # 5589 | 5 Second Street      | Excavation to fill, grade and level parking lot |
| # 5591 | 151 Bowater Dr. Ext. | To install concrete driveway                    |
| # 5592 | 151 Bowater Dr. Ext. | To construct a basement entrance                |
| # 5593 | 64 Cabot Drive       | Re-shingle roof                                 |
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| # 5595 | 167 Grenfell Drive   | Rear yard patio                                 |
| # 5596 | 94 Bond Street       | Repair roof and patio                           |
| # 5597 | 22 Winter Avenue     | Erect front yard patio extension                |
| # 5598 | 71 Snow's Drive      | Excavation for landscaping                      |
| # 5600 | 24 Carson Street     | To demolish a garage                            |
| # 5602 | 45 Bowater Drive     | To establish a driveway                         |
| # 5603 | Veteran Memorial Dr. | Excavate and mulch area – fill dumpsite         |
| # 5605 | 31 Whiteway Drive    | Repairs to porch – install new door             |
| # 5606 | 44 Snow's Drive      | Excavate for landscaping                        |

All in Favour

Motion Carried

## NEW BUSINESS

### Safety Audit

Safety Audit has major deficiencies in past three years. Policy not signed. Needs to be monitored.

### Labrador West Homeless Coalition Apartment Building

Councillor Lavers informed Council on Labrador West Homeless Coalition apartment building, usually open to single family units, has been make available to other family units as long as the income is suitable with a monthly rental fee of \$750.



Town Manager informed Council Habitat has 2 homes available for low income families.

**Wabush Mines Properties**

Deputy Mayor stated that the Community of Wabush has been clean and well kept and Wabush Mines must keep the properties mowed and tidy. Suggested the MEO to send a letter saying the work must be done as the Town has more work than personnel to perform it. Town Manager to seek legal advice if necessary.

**Wabush Hotel**

Mayor inquired about meeting with Wabush Hotel, if anything had been set up with the company lawyers.

**Provincial Court**

Mayor was glad to hear the announcement that the Wabush Provincial Court will remain open.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business Mayor Vardy moved to adjourn at 6:11 p.m. No firm date was set for next Council Meeting

Respectfully Submitted,

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Colin Vardy  
Mayor

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Karen Jennings,  
Director of Finance/Town Clerk

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