

# WABUSH TOWN COUNCIL **COUNCIL MEETING #18-01 JANUARY 30, 2018**

TIME AND PLACE A meeting of the Wabush Town Council was held on Tuesday,

> January 30, 2018, at the Town Hall in Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Chairperson Mayor Ron

Barron.

COUNCILLORS **PRESENT** 

Mayor Ron Barron

Deputy Mayor Rick Burke Councillor Sam Andrews Councillor Boyd AuCoin Councillor Gertie Canning Councillor Frankie Delahunty

COUNCILLORS ABSENT Councillor Colin Vardy – arrived 5:35 p.m.

OTHERS PRESENT Mr. Charlie Perry – Town Manager

Ms. Karen Jennings - Town Clerk/Director of Finance

Ms. Tara Penney - Secretary Ms. Rita Pynn – Resident Mr. Neil Johnson - Resident Ms. Sharon Godov - Resident Mr. Donald E. Best - Resident

WELCOME Mayor Barron welcomed residents to the meeting. Good to see

everyone in attendance, our community is facing some big issues

but we will get through them.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Councillor Delahunty and seconded by Councillor Andrews to approve minutes 17-13 as presented.

All in Favor.

Motion Carried

**BUSINESS ARISING** No business arising from previous minutes

COMMITTEE **REPORTS: FINANCE** 

Write Off

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Burke and seconded by Councillor Canning to write off interest charged on business account in the

amount of \$652.36. All in Favour.

Motion Carried



### Refund

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Burke and seconded by Councillor Canning to refund business tax 2017 for business that ceased operating in 2016 in the amount of \$ 10,964.85. All in Favour.

**Motion Carried** 

# <u>Tender – Computer Support Services</u>

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Burke and seconded by Councillor Canning that the Town of Wabush accept tender for Computer Support Services to the lone bidder RMS in the amount of \$85/hr. and \$127.50/hr. OT. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS: PLANNING

Due to the delay in the budget process, Committee meetings were postponed this month.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: PUBLIC WORKS Councillor Vardy is not in attendance. However, discussions with public works committee is ongoing for seniors' driveways. As well, Town Manager Perry commented that one of the two dump trucks are back in operation. Rented dump trucks in the meantime to deal with the enormous amount of snow this year. Public works will continue the taking away of snow as some of the banks around town are quite high.

COMMITTEE
REPORTS:
MEO/FIRE DEPT/OHS

Solutions are still be worked through for two issues on the lane streets. One issue is the making of McGregor/Flynn as one way. RNC are against this. However a solution must be found. The other issue is skidoos going through the area. Again, a solution is being worked on and will see where a trail can be made to make this area safer.

Fire Department has been undergoing some changes. Chief Butler has been working on promotion of ranks. The Council looks forward to working with Chief Butler and the Fire Department. Councillor AuCoin commented on the Fire Departments continuing support/fundraising for Muscular Dystrophy (MD). The latest fundraiser raised a \$1000 towards a young man that needed a wheelchair shipped to the area. The remaining proceeds went to him and his family for his care.



COMMITTEE **REPORTS:** RECREATION

Recreation Report Attached

Councillor Canning commented on the success of the Regional Figure Skating Competition. Five skaters have qualified for the provincials and two for the Winter Games. It has been a long time

since it was held in the area and it went very well.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: **POLICY** 

Policy Meetings to resume in February.

### **TOWN MANAGER**

#### Recreation

Have two support letters, waiting on two others (already have the

verbal)

Government support waiting on two invoices.

# **Industrial Park Wastewater Treatment Plant**

Progressing with Engineering and Municipal Affairs.

#### Multi Year Capital Works 2018

Nova working on Tender document

#### **Budget**

Letter to Minister of Municipal Affairs to postpone budget until end of February.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

# Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador

Info Note: December 15, 2017

> January 5, 2017 January 12, 2017 January 26, 2017

Save the Date: 2018 Regional Meetings

No Action Required

Department of Municipal Affairs & Environment

Re: Town of Labrador City Municipal Plan Review



Re: Capital Investment Plan Approval

Re: Public Consultations on Municipal Legislation

Federal Gas Tax Program

Correspondence Received: Repairs to Recreation Centre

No Action Required

**PMA** 

Municipal Focus

Municipal Act Review – Mayor commented that would like to see a change where towns can issue a recreation/tourism amount to hotels, cars etc. as they do in cities. Right now you cannot do that in Towns. It is against the Act.

Town of Portugal Cove – St. Philip's – Potential for a Privacy Breach

No Action Required

Labrador – Grenfell Health

All-Party Committee on Mental Health & Addictions – Report Released *Towards Recovery* 

Mayor Barron commented that Combined Councils will be discussing about Labrador Health Care as a whole at the AGM.

Municipal Assessment Agency

Board Update: December 8, 2017

Election Press Release: December 15, 2017

Letter from the Labrador Director

No Action Required

Alderon Iron Ore Corp.

Alderon Announces Amendment to Multi-User Dock Agreement with the Port of Sept-Iles



Alderon Reappoints Tayfun Eldem as Chief Executive Officer

No Action Required

Rio Tinto

IOC's 2017 Community Partnerships – Mayor Barron commented that they have resumed their community support program. It is a great program and if you need to avail of it, please do so.

External Stakeholder Business Brief: December 2017

No Action Required

Combined Councils

2018 AGM Information

No Action Required

Department of Fisheries and Land Resources

Labrador Winter Trails Inc.

Mayor Barron commended Town Manager Perry on the great work he and other volunteers are doing on the Jean Lake trails. Thank you to him and everyone that is working on it. Beautiful Trail and wonderful pictures. Again, thank you.

Stewardship Association of Municipalities Inc. (SAM)

Re-introduction to Council

No Action Required

Tony Wakeham Leadership Campaign

News Release – Wakeham Outlines Guiding Principles for NL Health Care

No Action Required

Conservation Corps Newfoundland and Labrador

2018 Green Team Project Application Form – Councillor Delahunty forwarded this to Mr. Williams. It will provide 8 weeks



work.

# **Arthur Skinner**

# Resignation

Ms. Holly Scott Walsh has taken over that position with over 30 years' experience in that department. Very familiar with the position and our files.

# Canadian Heritage

National Flag Day – February 15, 2018.

Should make it a community event, post pics to the site. Some pics on the trail with the flag.

# Memorial University Of Newfoundland

Out in the Open: Memorial University Releases Presidents Report 2017

# No Action Required

# ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Councillor AuCoin declared a conflict of interest and left Council Chambers.

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Burke and seconded by Councillor Canning to approve accounts payable listing from December 7, 2017 – January 26, 2018 in the amount of \$ 355,860.34. All in Favour.

#### **Motion Carried**

Councillor AuCoin returned to Council Chambers.

### **PERMITS**

It was moved by Councillor Andrews and seconded by Councillor Canning to approve permits as presented:

5739	7 Snows Drive	Landscaping
5740	9 Snows Drive	Landscaping
5741	11 Snows Drive	Landscaping
5742	13 Snows Drive	Landscaping
5743	15 Snows Drive	Landscaping
5744	17 Snows Drive	Landscaping
5745	19 Snows Drive	Landscaping



21 Snows Drive	Landscaping
	Landscaping
	Landscaping
	Detached Garage
7 Snows Drive	Cement Walkway
9 Snows Drive	Cement Walkway
11 Snows Drive	Cement Walkway
13 Snows Drive	Cement Walkway
15 Snows Drive	Cement Walkway
17 Snows Drive	Cement Walkway
19 Snows Drive	Cement Walkway
21 Snows Drive	Cement Walkway
23 Snows Drive	Cement Walkway
25 Snows Drive	Cement Walkway
27 Snows Drive	Cement Walkway
29 Snows Drive	Cement Walkway
31 Snows Drive	Cement Walkway
43 Snows Drive	Cement Walkway
57 Snows Drive	Cement Walkway
1 First Avenue	Use of the Snow Dump
	11 Snows Drive 13 Snows Drive 15 Snows Drive 17 Snows Drive 19 Snows Drive 21 Snows Drive 23 Snows Drive 25 Snows Drive 27 Snows Drive 29 Snows Drive 31 Snows Drive 43 Snows Drive

All in Favour

**Motion Carried** 

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Councillor Andrews** - looking forward to attending the Combined Councils AGM.

Councillor Vardy arrived at 5:35 p.m.

**Councillor AuCoin** – wants pressure on Service NL to get permits out. Taking too long at that level. There is one person running the office for all Labrador and Western NL.

**Councillor Delahunty** - IOCC Environmental Assessment – Maggie Pit - is on line on IOCC website. SWASP program is being discontinued. Ms. Jennings stated that it

has already been applied for.



**Mayor Barron** – still working on a solution for Recreation. A few stumbling blocks but working to make this happen. Budget is postponed for this reason. Looking for extension until February.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business Councillor AuCoin moved to adjourn At 5:40 p.m. Next regular meeting scheduled for February 20<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ron Barron Mayor

Karen Jennings Town Clerk/Director of Finance

RB:KJ:tgp