



WABUSH

**WABUSH TOWN COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING #19-05
May 23, 2019**

TIME AND PLACE

A meeting of the Wabush Town Council was held on Thursday, May 23, 2019, at the Town Hall in Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Ron Barron.

**COUNCILLORS
PRESENT**

Mayor Ron Barron
Deputy Mayor Rick Burke
Councillor Sam Andrews
Councillor Boyd AuCoin
Councillor Gertie Canning
Councillor Terry Curran
Councillor Tina Eastman

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

DELEGATIONS

Mayor Barron welcomed visitors and encouraged more people to attend meetings.

Ms. Rita Pynn

On the topic on Amalgamation, when will people have a vote? Every person has a right to a say. Commercial businesses are worried about the lack of consultation. Council should not be imposing a decision of the town. Everyone has a democratic right to vote.

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

It was moved by Councillor Canning and seconded by Deputy Mayor Burke to approve minutes of meeting #19-04 as presented. All in favour.

Motion Carried

**COMMITTEE REPORT:
FINANCE**

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Burke and seconded by Councillor Andrews that the Town of Wabush award Tender TOW-01-19 to SNT Solutions for the purchase of a BA7000 Asphalt Recycler in the amount of \$ 162,781.35 taxes, delivery and training included. All in Favour.

Motion Carried



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It was moved by Deputy Mayor Burke and seconded by Councillor Canning that the Town of Wabush destroy ballots from the February By-Election. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORT: PLANNING

It was moved by Councillor Andrews and seconded by Councillor Canning that the Town of Wabush pre-approve home based business Inuky Glass Art located at 19 Dunphy pending Service NL approval. During the advertising period, there were no comments or objections received. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORT: RECREATION

Report attached

Pool – temporary solution working right now
Zamboni – being looked in to now in the down season
Jean Lake Trail – bag stations around trail

COMMITTEE REPORT: PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. Lilly out of Town.
Sweeper out, Gravelly doing sidewalks.
Cold patch has started and more on order.

COMMITTEE REPORT: MEO/FIRE DEPT.

Report attached (MEO)

Councillor AuCoin stated that 7 individuals have come forward to volunteer for the Fire Department. There is now 22 in total. More recruitment in the fall.

COMMITTEE REPORT: POLICY

Councillor Canning stated that a meeting between Ms. Jennings and her about starting the Policy meetings again from the beginning. When at the MNL there were bigger communities with a lot less Policies. Most are operational not Policy.

COMMITTEE REPORT: TOWN MANAGER

Response back from MP that our Industrial Park Wastewater Treatment Plant application is in the Federal que.

Bowater Extension and Winter Avenue roadwork commencing next week with initial parking and laydown prep. Meeting will be scheduled with residents of the area.

Work is ongoing with the Industrial Park expansion file

Vacation relief started this week. Currently reviewing student applications.



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CORRESPONDENCE

Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador

Info Note: April 18, 2019
May 10, 2019

2019 Provincial Election Key Messages

MNL Mobilizes the Municipal Sector Leading Up To 2019 Elections

MNL Pleased To See Continued Momentum on Municipal Investment In Budget 2019

No Action Required

Department of Municipal Affairs & Environment

Community Sustainability Partnership Measures and Exemptions

2019/2020 Fire Protection Vehicles Infrastructure Program, Project No. FES-NL 190014

No Action Required

MADD

Memorial Bench

Mayor suggested the Town Hall near the memorial flag with a ceremony to commemorate. Council agreed.

Lab West Pride Inc.

Save the Date 2019

Council will ensure someone participates in these events

PMA

Notice of Directors Positions.

Mayor Barron congratulated Ms. Jennings on her position on the board. It is great representation for the Town and a cost savings as the PMA funds Ms. Jennings travel to conventions.



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Government Services

Bacteriological Water Analysis Report: April 15, 2019
May 1, 2019

No Action Required

Occupational Health and Safety Division

CO Exposures in Ice Rinks

A refresher in the fall to remind employees and staff of the dangers.

Cheryl Gallant, Member of Parliament

Bill C-68

No Action Required

Municipal Assessment Agency

2019 Clar Simmons Scholarship

No Action Required

Labrador-Grenfell Health

LGH News Release: Reporting on Client Surveys

No Action Required

Newfoundland and Labrador College of Family Physicians

My NL Family Doctor Award

No Action Required

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Burke and seconded by Councillor Canning that the Town of Wabush approve the Accounts Payable Listing for April 17 to May 23, 2019 in the amount of \$ 176,238.18. All in favour.

Motion Carried



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OTHER

It was moved by Councillor Canning and seconded by Councillor Curran that the Town of Wabush proceed with a plebiscite on the topic of amalgamation.

Discussion on the motion:

** Letter written by Councillor Canning attached to minutes.

Councillor Curran discussed that now the consultation is finished, it would be a minimal cost to vote on whether Amalgamation should go ahead or not. It is a non-binding vote and ultimately falls on what Council decides. What harm would it do to vote and see what the residents want.

Councillor AuCoin had issue with the procedure. There are no answers and no model for what the future holds if amalgamation goes through.

Councillor Andrews asked was there an end to this. There's not enough content to have this go ahead.

Councillor Burke said every meeting over the years had low attendance. 28 people came out. Two years ago, they said no to amalgamation. Report came back that residents didn't want amalgamation.

Councillor Canning – Attendance in meetings are not votes. Sessions do not necessarily show the residents views.

Mayor Barron – beat this to death. We did the Spicer report. We agreed with Labrador City that if anything was to come out about the report, it was to be done jointly. That didn't happen and forced our hand. 59% said no to amalgamation and 50% for the plebiscite.

Ms. Pynn and Mr. Johnson said it was their democratic right and would like to have a say.

With no further discussion, vote was cast.



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Votes for:
Councillor Canning
Councillor Curran

Votes against:
Mayor Barron
Deputy Mayor Burke
Councillor Andrews
Councillor AuCoin
Councillor Eastman

Motion Defeated

It was moved by Councillor Curran and seconded by Councillor Canning to, with the approval from Municipal Affairs and the Town of Labrador City, release the report on Community Sessions on the Topic of Amalgamation of the Towns of Labrador City and Wabush. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

PERMITS

It was moved by Councillor Andrews and seconded by Councillor Curran to approve the following permits:

5964	4-6 Second	Interior Renos
5965	25 Grenfell	Replace Shed Patio Deck
5966	2 First Ave.	Interior Renos
5967	2 Third Ave.	Occupancy
5968	Various	Election Signs
5969	4-6 Second	Occupancy
5970	Shopping Centre	Occupancy
5971	31 Shea	Occupancy
5972	Various	Election Signs
5973	10 Winter	Garage
5974	Various	Election Signs
5975	101 Whiteway	Demolition
5976	Various	Election Signs
5977	104 Grenfell	Roof
5978	33 Shea	Gazebo
5979	13 Legge	Roof
5980	39 Dunfield	Roof
5981	5-7 Bowater	Sign



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5982	2-8 Carson	Demolition
5983	2-8 Carson	Temp. Office Trailer
5984	2-8 Carson	Seacan
5985	2-8 Carson	Occupancy
5986	157 Bowater	Patio

All In Favour

Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS

Anderson Fire

RNC released site

Charlie in contact with Belfor. Can't touch the foundation, has fencing around it. No one being sent in until it is deemed safe. However, Mr. Perry is in contact with several people to get this resolved. It is too dangerous to leave and the neighbor can't even get out of his driveway.

Mayor Button Resignation

Councillor AuCoin thanked Mayor Button for his service with the Town of Labrador City and Council agreed that a letter would be sent to the former Mayor.

Councillor Curran

Remind residents of power outage on June 9th. Also, congratulations to those that are attending National Ball Hockey championships in BC in July.

Councillor Canning

Wanted to make sure all Council got her report from the MNL

Mayor Barron

Thanked Terry for attending the MEnihek Grad for him as he was sick. Mayor Barron attend CONA grad this week and it was very nice. Got to shake each graduates hand. Congratulated Hunter (Ms. Penney's son) on his graduation.



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Council needs to deal with the litter and disrepair of properties. The Act limits what the Town can do. Letters will be sent to those who do not comply. Mayor Barron can not comment on facebook to Ms. Pynn's posts. It is a no win situation with social media.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, it was moved by Councillor Curran to adjourn the meeting at 8 pm. Next meeting Thursday, June 20th at 7 pm. Preagenda Tuesday, June 18th at noon.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ron Barron
Mayor

Karen Jennings
Town Clerk/Director of Finance

RB:KJ:tgp