



WABUSH

**WABUSH TOWN COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING #20-03
April 9, 2020**

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| TIME AND PLACE | A meeting of the Wabush Town Council was held on Thursday, April 9, 2020, at the Town Hall in Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Mayor Ron Barron. |
| COUNCILLORS PRESENT | VIA TELECONFERENCE/FACE TIME LIVE Mayor Ron Barron Councillor Sam Andrews Councillor Gertie Canning Councillor Terry Curran Councillor Tina Eastman |
| OTHERS PRESENT | Mr. Charlie Perry – Town Manager (In person) Ms. Karen Jennings – Town Clerk/Director of Finance Ms. Tara Penney – Secretary (In person) |
| ABSENT | Councillor Boyd AuCoin – Work Commitments Deputy Mayor Rick Burke |
| ADOPTION OF AGENDA | It was moved by Councillor Canning and seconded by Councillor Curran to adopt agenda for Council Meeting #20-03. All in Favour. Motion Carried |
| APPROVAL OF MINUTES | It was moved by Councillor Canning and seconded by Councillor Curran to approve minutes of meeting #20-02 as presented. All in Favour. Motion Carried |
| BUSINESS ARISING FROM ACTION LIST MINUTES | <ul style="list-style-type: none">- On line payment of credit cards is set up- Purchase order released for Sand/Dump truck- Certified motion for approval to borrow sent- Letter received from bank to approve loan for Sand/Dump Truck |



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COMMITTEE REPORT: FINANCE

It was moved by Councillor Canning and seconded by Councillor Andrews that the Town of Wabush award tender TOW-2020-03 – supply of Firefighter bunker gear - to Valmin Fire Protection for the unit price of \$ 2,250. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORT: PLANNING

It was moved by Councillor Andrews and seconded by Councillor Curran that the Town of Wabush pre-approve home based business Labrador WP Creations located at 25 Bowater Drive pending Service NL approval. During the advertising period, there were no comments or objections received. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORT: PUBLIC WORKS

Report Attached

COMMITTEE REPORT: RECREATION

Did not meet

Walk thru of building:

- Painting in 3 areas
- Pool drained, waiting on paint
- Sauna/Shower maintenance

COMMITTEE REPORT: MEO/FIRE DEPT.

Did not meet

- Suspended all training, will check at what point that will resume
- PPE precautions for all fire calls
- Check with Fire Chief for plan

COMMITTEE REPORT: POLICY

Did not meet

Will look at in the near future a video conference to review pressing policies.

COMMITTEE REPORT: TOWN MANAGER

Town manager spoke on behalf of several departments:

- Recreation Facilities remain in care & maintenance
- Public Works continue to do snow removal & monitoring of storms
- Both departments numbers reduced & additional vacation booked
- Business park treatment plant and building lot projects still moving.
- Street work applications currently being reviewed.
- Meeting 3 times a week with emergency group
- Council meeting once a week as required.



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CORRESPONDENCE

Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador

Info Note: March 3, 2020
 March 9, 2020

MNL President Encouraging Municipalities' Efforts To Slow The Spread of COVID-19

Memo to Members on COVID-19

MNL Postpones Central Regional Meeting Amid COVID-19 Concerns

MNL Cautiously Optimistic After Meeting With Minister On Boil Water Advisories

No Action Required

SAM Stewardship

SAM Environmental Steward Award

SAM Conservation Fund Scholarship

No Action Required

PMA

Apply Now – PMA Executive Director Position – deferred for a couple of months.

No Action Required

Department of Municipal Affairs & Environment

Year-end Claims for Municipal Infrastructure Programs – March 31, 2020

Fire Protection Services

Information Related to COVID 19 (Coronavirus) Outbreak

No Action Required



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Government Services

Bacteriological Water Analysis Report: March 4, 2020

No Action Required

Recreation NL

March is Nutrition Month. Mayor Barron reminded all that Mental Health is as important as physical health. Take time for both.

No Action Required

Labrador-Grenfell Health

Visitor Restrictions Implemented at Labrador-Grenfell Health Facilities
Additional measures (one entrance- everyone screened and masked to enter)

No Action Required

Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency

Re: Approval for Request for Payment – first installment – business park lot development

No Action Required

Janeway Children's Hospital Foundation

Fundraising Kick-start – Postponed

Shout-out to Councillor Eastman's son, Jack, for delivering a cheque on behalf of his class to this worthwhile cause. The Janeway Children's hospital has helped so many children and they do wonderful work.

No Action Required

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

It was moved by Councillor Canning and seconded by Councillor Curran to approve Accounts Payable Listing from February 20 to April 2, 2020 in the amount of \$ 944,153.15 as presented. The Town Clerk commented that this list included both the roadwork payment (less holdback) as well as regular operational items. All in favour.

Motion Carried

PERMITS

No Permits at this time



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NEW BUSINESS

All Council thanked residents for their patience, understanding during these difficult times. Please be safe, be kind and be smart. Its rough times but we will all work together and keep in our own bubble and not burst someone else's.

Mr. Perry sent a letter to the Premier requesting that all non-essential travel be stopped and 14-day isolation to deter people from any non-essential travel.

Mayor Barron – the communities of Wabush, Labrador City and Fermont are working together to keep everyone safe. The Mayor would like to see everyone coming from other parts of the province to self-isolate for 14 days. Young people driving around in groups is not acceptable. Mayor Barron wouldn't deter people from going to cabin but would remind people not to go in groups.

Hats off to essential workers making life as normal as possible. Everything is re-stocked and should be only one person per household shopping.

Please stay home whenever possible, with only your direct family. The government is to be applauded on their efforts and everyone needs to listen to their recommendations. Thank you to Council and Staff for all their hard work. Happy Easter.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, it was moved by Councillor Curran and seconded by Councillor Andrews to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 pm. Next meeting Thursday, April 23rd, 2020 at 7 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ron Barron
Mayor

Karen Jennings
Town Clerk/Director of Finance

RB:KJ:tgp