



WABUSH

**WABUSH TOWN COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING #21-01
January 21, 2021**

TIME AND PLACE

A meeting of the Wabush Town Council was held on Thursday, January 21, 2021, at the Town Hall in Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order at 4:01 p.m. by Mayor Ron Barron. Mayor Barron welcomed Council and staff and thank everyone for attending and watching live.

**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 – Director of Finance/Town Clerk (online)
Ms. Tara Hynes – Executive Secretary

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Burke and seconded by Councillor Canning to approve minutes of meeting #20-11, #20-12 & #20-12S as presented. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM
MINUTES**

None at this time. Everything is current.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

It was moved by Councillor AuCoin and seconded by Councillor Eastman to adopt agenda for Council Meeting #21-01. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

**COMMITTEE REPORT:
FINANCE**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Burke
Seconded by: Councillor Canning

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush award tender 2021-02 to Saunders Equipment for New 2021 Suction/Sweeper Truck (Freightliner M2-106) in the amount of \$ 330,000.00 plus HST. This was the only bid received and delivery will be in 20 weeks. All in Favour.

Motion Carried



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Moved by: Deputy Mayor Burke
Seconded by: Councillor Canning

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush award tender 2021-03 to LabWest Powersports Inc. for 850 Yamaha Wolverine in the amount of \$ 40,242.50 plus HST. Waiting ETA from supplier. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Burke
Seconded by: Councillor Canning

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush donate \$500 to the Anik Lodge in Labrador City to assist with their monthly operating cost as per request received from their executive. This is an exception due to COVID. It has been a tough year and the Town tries to support those in danger of permanently closing due to lose in revenue. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORT: PLANNING

Report Attached

Moved by: Councillor Curran
Seconded by: Councillor AuCoin

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush approve Crown Land application no. 157463 to construct office trailer and heavy equipment storage building located on Trans-Labrador Highway. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

Moved by: Councillor Curran
Seconded by: Councillor AuCoin

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush release tenders for land sales on Snows Drive for wall side and lake side. There are 14 lots in total. All in Favour.

Motion Carried



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Moved by: Councillor Curran
Seconded by: Councillor AuCoin

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush allow JRS to utilize the wooded area by ball park, for school use. JRS will be responsible to seek insurance on the property to remove the Town of Wabush from any liability on the area. Councillor Curran stated that there is no need to apply annually for this. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Burke
Seconded by: Councillor Eastman

WHEREAS Members of Parliament are seeking municipal support for Bill C-213, which seeks to establish a universal, publicly administered pharmacare program based on the same principles as Canada's universal health care program;
WHEREAS it is appropriate to support this request;
BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush support Bill C-213, An Act to enact the Canada Pharmacare Act.

Discussion was had by Council that they agree to universal health care but the information on this Bill is very vague and would like to have more information before voting on this issue.

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Burke and seconded by Councillor Eastman to rescind this motion until further information was available. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORT: PUBLIC WORKS

No Motions - Report Attached

Councillor Canning commented on the great job Public Works is doing on the roads and the sidewalks. Mayor Barron commented that Shea Street Parking has to be looked at as well.

COMMITTEE REPORT: RECREATION

No Motions – Report Attached

Jean Lake Trail - A lot of skidoo access. Opposite side of lake is walkers only, not for skidoo. Please respect that. More signs are needed. A lot less dog waste and a reminder that dogs must be leashed at all times.



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Santa Christmas Eve – shout out for Santa and helpers driving around town. Almost expected every year. As well, Town lights were beautiful this year and it seemed residents also decorated more. Congratulations to Light Up Winners.

COMMITTEE REPORT: MEO/FIRE DEPT.

No Motions – Report Attached

Requesting that all Council attend the donation of the GS&R truck.

Speed signs – look into heat tracing them so that they work during our cold weather. Maybe businesses would like to donate more of these signs around town.

COMMITTEE REPORT: POLICY

Working on two motions for next meeting. More to follow but at least two will be ready for February's meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORT: TOWN MANAGER

No Motions

Water break repair went well on Third.
Application gone for students under CSJ program, waiting on Provincial program applications.
CBCL Engineer will be in town next week.

CORRESPONDENCE

Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador

Info Note: November 16, 2020
 November 23, 2020
 November 30, 2020
 December 7, 2020
 December 14, 2020
 January 11, 2021

Provincial Government Accepting Applications for New COVID-19 Stimulus Program for Communities

Apply for up to \$ 150,000 with the Provincial COVID-19 Stimulus Program

Christmas Lights Across Canada

BAM NL! Round 3 Announcement

eSCRIBE Webinar – City of Grand Forks – Braving the Change for a Better Meeting Management System

Health Accord NL Public Engagement Sessions

Membership Renewal



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Wastewater Update to Members

No Action Required

Government Services

Bacteriological Water Analysis Report: December 14, 2020

No Action Required

Service NL

Re: Fire & Life Safety/Building Accessibility Registration – Carson Building

Re: Fire & Life Safety/Building Accessibility Registration – Stephen Pike, Klondike Warehouse

No Action Required

Dept of Environment, Climate Change & Municipalities

Safe Restart Funding for Municipalities

Circular: COVID-19 Stimulus Program

Vegetation Plan for the Tacora Resources Mine

Arena/Pool Restart Grant

Approval to Borrow: Industrial Park Wastewater Treatment Plant

Re: COVID-19 Stimulus Program

No Action Required

Dept of Transportation & Infrastructure

Circular: Municipal Infrastructure Master Specification Front End Website Relocation

No Action Required

Labrador Affairs Secretariat

Presentation Deck on COVID-19 Vaccinations – Department of Health & Community Services.



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No Action Required

Dept. of Tourism, Culture, Arts and Recreation – Recreation and Sports Division

New Recreation and Sport Consultant

No Action Required

Labrador-Grenfell Health

Distribution of COVID-19 Vaccines

Updates to Primary Care Appointments at Labrador Health Centre Effective January 14, 2021

COVID-19 Immunizations for Priority Groups in Northern Peninsula to begin January 18, 2021

No Action Required

FireSmart Canada

Wildfire Community Preparedness Day Application Launch

Mayor requested that the Town apply for this.

Justice and Public Safety, Fire Services Division

Cost Shared Equipment and Vehicle Application Period Now Open

The Town of Wabush availed of this program last year.

Prime Minister's Awards

2021 Prime Minister's Awards

No Action Required

NL Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities

2020 Labrador Petroleum Products Pricing Review

No Action Required



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Dept. of Municipal Affairs and Environment

2020 Community Sustainability Partnership Circular

No Action Required

Combined Councils of Labrador

Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act Review
Committee Seeking Submissions

Letter Concerning Minister Haggie's Apology. Mayor Barron informed Council that Combined Councils on two different occasions requested a written apology from Minister Haggie. None has been received.

No Action Required

Peter Julian, MP

Endorsement of Bill C-213, the Canada Pharmacare Act

No Action Required

Rural Development Network

Call for Expression of Interest – Affordable Housing

No Action Required

Municipal Assessment Agency

Update on the Municipal Assessment Agency

No Action Required

Office of the Prime Minister

Acknowledge Receipt of Correspondence of June 23, 2020

No Action Required

Heritage NL

Fact Sheet – Impacts of Government Spending on Heritage.

No Action Required



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ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Burke
Seconded by: Councillor Canning

BE IT RESOLVED to approve Accounts Payable Listing from November 13, 2020 to January 13, 2021 in the amount of \$ 3,079,055.16 as presented. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

PERMITS

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

6337	D Grenfell Drive	Elite Tattoo Studios
6340	147 Bowater	Siding
6341	Tailings Line	Excavation (Drainage Pipe)
6343	80 Bowater	Interior Renos
6344	30 Carson	Detached Accessory Building
6345	113 Whiteway	Fireworks
6346	23 Anderson	Fireworks
6347	39 Bowater	Fireworks
6348	152 Bowater	Fireworks
6349	135 Bowater	Fireworks
6350	11 Cabot	Fireworks
6351	27 Dunphy	Fireworks
6352	160 Bowater	Fireworks
6353	21 Grenfell	Fireworks
6354	37 Snows	Fireworks
6355	Various	Election Signs
6356	Various	Election Signs

Councillor Curran thanked all those that got fireworks permits. It was a free application but it did let people with pets, sensory disorders and the fire department where the fireworks were so that they could be prepared.

All in Favour

Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS

Councillor Canning wanted to thank residents, government, Dr. Fitzgerald and everyone involved in the COVID decision making on keeping up the fantastic job of following protocols and keeping everyone safe. Cudos to everyone involved.



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Mayor Barron wanted to recognize Mr. Jody Lawrence who recently had a ski trail named for him for his participation in the Special Olympics. Congratulations to Jody.

Mayor Barron, as in previous meetings, wished to send condolences to friends and family of those who have passed since the last meeting. The memorial flag was lowered in their honor and those included:

- 1) Hans Mang
- 2) Lewis Hounsell
- 3) Al Best
- 4) Joe Dyke Sr.
- 5) Marjorie Richards

Councillor Curran suggested a digital display for the memorial flag to show who the flag was lowered for. It was also suggested that a digital display also be on the Recreation Centre for upcoming programs and schedules.

Council wished to congratulate Labradorians of Distinction winner Craig Porter for his volunteering efforts that include his work with Ground Search and Rescue. Junior Humphries in Labrador City was also recognized for his volunteerism in the Labrador West area.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, it was moved by Councillor AuCoin and seconded by Deputy Mayor Burke to adjourn the meeting at 4:57pm. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, February 18, 2021 at 4:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ron Barron
Mayor

Karen Jennings
Director of Finance/Town Clerk

RB:KJ:tgh