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**WABUSH TOWN COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING #21-02
February 18, 2021**

- TIME AND PLACE** A meeting of the Wabush Town Council was held on Thursday, February 18, 2021, at the Town Hall in Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Mayor Ron Barron. Mayor Barron welcomed Council and staff and thank everyone for attending and watching live.
- COUNCILLORS PRESENT** Virtually:
Mayor Ron Barron
Deputy Mayor Rick Burke
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
Ms. Tara Hynes – Executive Secretary
- COUNCILLORS ABSENT** Mr. Sam Andrews – Medical
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES** It was moved by Councillor Curran and seconded by Councillor Canning to approve minutes of meeting #21-01 as presented. All in Favour.

Motion Carried
- BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES** None at this time. Everything is current.

Request for more information on Bill C213 – have not responded yet.

Speed Signs – MEO is checking with manufacturing to see if problem can be corrected.

Digital signage – source and pricing being looked into.
- ADOPTION OF AGENDA** It was moved by Councillor AuCoin and seconded by Councillor Eastman to adopt agenda for Council Meeting #21-02. All in Favour.

Motion Carried



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COMMITTEE REPORT: FINANCE

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Burke
Seconded by: Councillor Canning

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush award tender 2021-01 to Carol Auto for New Ford F150 crew-cab XLT 2021 in the amount of \$ 55,260 plus HST. All in Favour.

Town manager commented that all new vehicles are crew cab so they can be repurposed for students and work crews when needed. MEO's current truck will be repurposed as well.

Motion Carried

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Burke
Seconded by: Councillor Canning

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush donate \$500 to the Smokey Mountain Ski Club in Labrador City to assist with cost associated with their annual Snow School. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Burke
Seconded by: Councillor Canning

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush borrow \$ 58,671.86 from the Bank of Montreal. The term of this loan will be 5 years fixed term with a 5-year amortization period at an annual interest rate of 2.25% and monthly payment of \$ 1,034.82. The purpose of the load is to finance the purchase of a 2021 F-150 pickup complete with emergency lighting requirements for the Municipal Enforcement Officer. 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. 157482 for Hydro distribution line. 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 approve Crown Land application No. 78221 for a grant land request located at Albert Lake. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

**COMMITTEE REPORT:
PUBLIC WORKS** **No Motions - Report Attached**

**COMMITTEE REPORT:
RECREATION** **No Motions – Report Attached**

Mayor – Thank you to the volunteers grooming the Jean Lake Trail. Deputy Mayor Burke, Town Manager Perry, Mr. Marty Byrne and Rec. Director Squire are doing an awesome job.

Hoping to do some of the events for Winter Carnival.

**COMMITTEE REPORT:
MEO/FIRE DEPT.** **No Motions – Report Attached**

Mayor inquired as to when the Town would be donating the Equipment Van to Ground Search and Rescue. Town Manager stated that the stickers are being put on the unit and then will see how it can be done under the current Level 5 restrictions.

**COMMITTEE REPORT:
POLICY** Moved by: Councillor Canning
Seconded by: Councillor Eastman

BE IT RESOLVED to adopt Policy # 97-8 – Cash Handling as presented. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

**COMMITTEE REPORT:
TOWN MANAGER** **No Motions**



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CORRESPONDENCE

Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador

Info Note: January 18, 2021
January 25, 2021
February 1, 2021

Memo to Members: Provincial Election Information

MNL Launches Municipal Solutions Platform as Part of Provincial Election Advocacy

Memos to Members: Provincial Election Information

Building Our Future Will Require Innovative Solutions

Municipal Renewal Begins with Regionalization

Municipal Prosperity Has Provincial Impact

No Action Required

Government Services

Bacteriological Water Analysis Report: January 4, 2021
February 3, 2021

No Action Required

Service NL

Re: Plans: Proposed Change of Occupant for Warehouse – Herbs Industrial - 33 Third Avenue, Wabush, NL

Re: Plans: Proposed Change of Occupant for Home Based Business (Bakery) - 3 Winter Avenue, Wabush, NL

No Action Required

Labrador-Grenfell Health

PSA: POSTPONED - COVID-19 Immunizations for Elderly

PSA: COVID-19 Immunizations for Priority Groups Beginning March 1, 2021



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PSA: COVID-19 Assessment and Referrals

Mayor Barron reminded residents to be vigilant at this time. You can never be too safe. Please get tested and isolated for 14 days if you have travelled. The Mayor of Goose Bay would like to see it mandatory for travelers to be tested. In response to the letter sent to Dr. Fitzgerald's office, travel restrictions stand as is because essential travel is the only travel that should be happening right now under Level 5 Mayor thanked residents

Councillor Curran discussed that LGH is having 2 days of testing with discussions that time frame may be extended. Anyone travelling from St. John's is encouraged to please go get tested. As well, please install the COVID tracking App.

Councillor Canning commented that if you feel you need the test and have not travelled, they are very flexible. You can arrange testing. Registration is at Emerg.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Burke
Seconded by: Councillor Canning

BE IT RESOLVED to approve Accounts Payable Listing from January 14 to February 8, 2021 in the amount of \$ 578,660.94 as presented. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

PERMITS

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

6357	2A First Avenue	Interior Demo
6358	3 Winter	Occupancy
6359	Various	Election Signs
6360	22 Third Avenue	Occupancy
6361	2A First Avenue	Interior Renos
6362	40 Guy	Demolition
6363	56 Cabot	Fence
6364	40 Guy	Porch

All in Favour

Motion Carried



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NEW BUSINESS

Councillor Eastman reminded everyone that this is Violence Prevention Month. The women's crisis line is 944-2200. Anyone that needs help, don't hesitate to reach out.

Mayor Barron said that anyone that needs help during COVID, for example Seniors needing groceries, there is a volunteer list of people that will help anyone in need.

Councillor Curran echoed government. We are in the highest alert level but with extra precautions, we will get through this.

Councillor Canning thanked Councillor Eastman. Violence is heightened with the extra fear, anxiety and stress even more than when this started last March. Call your neighbours and check on them, call the Town Hall if you are looking for help with anything. Councillor Canning thanked Council for their good work.

Mayor Barron reiterated that if you need help, reach out. It is a stressful time; many people need reassurance. Encouraged everyone to look out for each other.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, it was moved by Councillor Curran and seconded by Councillor Eastman to adjourn the meeting at 4:49 pm. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, March 18, 2021 at 4:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ron Barron
Mayor

Karen Jennings
Director of Finance/Town Clerk

RB:KJ:tgh