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**WABUSH TOWN COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING #21-03
March 18, 2021**

- TIME AND PLACE** A virtual meeting of the Wabush Town Council was held on Thursday, March 18, 2021. The meeting was called to order at 4:13 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
Councillor Sam Andrews
Councillor Gertie Canning
Councillor Terry Curran
Councillor Tina Eastman
- COUNCILLOR ABSENT** Deputy Mayor Burke – Connection issues
Councillor AuCoin – Work Commitments
- OTHERS PRESENT** Mr. Charlie Perry – Town Manager
Ms. Karen Jennings – Director of Finance/Town Clerk
Ms. Tara Hynes – Executive Secretary
- PROCLAMATIONS** Proclamation: World Lymphedema Day – March 6, 2021
Proclamation: Purple Day 2021 – Epilepsy NL – March 26, 2021
Proclamation: Nutrition Month – Good for You! Help Find Your Healthy March 2021
Letter of Support: Bat Monitoring for Labrador West
- Moved by: Councillor Canning
Seconded by: Councillor Eastman
- Town Clerk read a motion as follows:
- BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Wabush supports the 2021 Census, and encourages all residents to complete their census questionnaire online at www.census.gc.ca. Accurate and complete census data support programs and services that benefit our community. All in Favour.
- Motion Carried



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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Councillor Curran and seconded by Councillor Canning to approve minutes of meeting #21-02 & #21-02S as presented. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

Town Clerk noted that Special meeting #21-02S was to adopt the Revised mill rate and tax structure which was ratified in this meeting. Mayor commented that, when the mistake was realized, Council immediately took steps to fix it. Thank you to the residents for letting us know and for their patience.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

It was moved by Councillor AuCoin and seconded by Councillor Eastman to adopt agenda for Council Meeting #21-03. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORT: FINANCE

No Motions

COMMITTEE REPORT: PLANNING

No Motions/no report

COMMITTEE REPORT: PUBLIC WORKS

Report Attached

Snowblower and dump trucks making their way through town. Having some wastewater issues.

COMMITTEE REPORT: RECREATION

Report Attached

Level 3. Walking program and weight room has re-opened. Updates with re-opening with limited access will be released tomorrow (Weight room, pool, arena and bowling) before the next level update on Friday, March 26th. Optimistic for a level change.

COMMITTEE REPORT: MEO/FIRE DEPT.

No Motions – Report Attached

Additional signage for school zone.
Fire inspections to re-start next week.
Mayor reminded residents to leash their dogs both in town and on the trail. People are genuinely afraid of dogs and if this continues dogs will be banned from the trail. Everyone should be able to enjoy the trail.



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COMMITTEE REPORT: POLICY

Moved by: Councillor Canning
Seconded by: Councillor Eastman

BE IT RESOLVED to adopt Policy 3.3-3 from the Town of Labrador City, Policy Subject: Regional Waste Management Landfill as presented. All in Favour.

Councillor Canning clarified that this is a Labrador City policy that we are adopting as we are partners in running the regional landfill.

Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORT: TOWN MANAGER

No Motions – Report Attached

CORRESPONDENCE

Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador

Info Note: February 15, 2021
February 22, 2021
March 1, 2021
March 8, 2021

Memo to Members on Alert 5

Agenda – MNL COVID-19 Check-in with Members

Municipalities Focus on Critical Operations in Alert Level 5

Alert Level Updates for NL: Avalon region will remain in Alert Level 5 and all areas outside the Avalon region will move to Alert 4

NEW EVENT: Symposium and AGM Planning is Underway! – Council is to notified the Town Clerk on who wishes to attend.

Call for 2020 Resolutions

Second Call for 2020 Resolutions

Moved by: Councillor Eastman
Seconded by: Councillor Curran

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush nominate Councillor Gertie Canning as Small-Town Director for the MNL. All in Favour.

Motion Carried



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Government Services

Bacteriological Water Analysis Report: March 8, 2021

No Action Required

Service NL

Re: Fire & Life Safety/Building Accessibility Registration:
Home Based Business – Craftworks & Décor

No Action Required

Labrador-Grenfell Health

PSA: Visitor Restrictions at all LGH Facilities

PSA: Designated Hospital Entrances

PSA: LGH Imposes Reduction in Services

PSA: Testing for Asymptomatic Individuals at Labrador-Grenfell Health Sites

PSA: COVID-19 Questions and Concerns

PSA: Updated: COVID-19 Immunizations for Priority Groups Across Labrador-Grenfell Health to Begin March 1, 2021

PSA: COVID-19 in St. Anthony Area

PSA: COVID-19 Immunizations – Changes to Second Dose Schedule

PSA: Clarification of COVID-19 Vaccination Schedule

No Action Required

Department of Environment, Climate Change and Municipalities

2020 Ultimate Recipient Audited Annual Expenditure Report Package

Approval to Borrow: 2021 Ford F-150 Pick Up Truck

No Action Required



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Department of Transportation and Infrastructure

Re: Year-end Claims for Municipal Infrastructure Programs –
March 31, 2021

Re: Updates to Municipal Water, Sewer and Roads Master Construction
Specifications

Re: Reminder of Procurement Record Requirements under Public
Procurement Act, 2018

Approval to Enter into Contract – Consultant Services

No Action Required

Government of Canada

Prime Minister's Awards

No Action Required

Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro

TakeCHARGE of Your Town Challenge Grant of \$10,000

Will review to see if we qualify.

Dr. Janice Fitzgerald, Chief Medical Officer of Health

Re: Non-Essential Travel into Labrador West

Mayor addressed the non-essential travel into Labrador West. The Mayor re-iterated that since Day One, anyone traveling into Labrador West, must follow the rules. All mining companies have gone above and beyond the safety measures that were required. We have no say in these rules, we can only lobby for any changes. The Mayor is frustrated with social media comments and if there is any issue, the Mayor can be reached at ANY time at 944-4945.

Municipal Assessment Agency

Update on the Municipal Assessment Agency

No Action Required



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No Action Required

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Moved by: Councillor Canning
Seconded by: Councillor Curran

BE IT RESOLVED to approve Accounts Payable Listing from February 9 to March 10, 2021 in the amount of \$ 515,912.31 as presented.
All in Favour.

Motion Carried

PERMITS

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

6365 27 Second Avenue Snow Dump

All in Favour

Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS

Councillor Curran thanked residents for their patience with the Recreation department. We have to follow guidelines and are doing our best. As well, thanked residents for their understanding with the property tax adjustment. New tax bills have gone out.

Councillor Canning re-iterated that it is not easy and have had tough decisions to make. Facebook is not the place to complain. Please contact us when you have a problem.

Councillor Andrews stated it was good that the tax issue has been fixed.

Mayor Barron aired the same sentiment. Glad to see that the property tax invoices have been adjusted. The Mayor again reminded residents that dogs must be on a leash on the trail and thanked residents for cleaning up after their pets.

Mayor Barron discussed rather than airing issues with the Town and businesses on social media, that residents call in and discuss with Council. The Council will not respond to posts on social media but are more than willing to discuss and help whenever you contact them.



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Mayor Barron wished everyone a wonderful weekend. We will open facilities as soon as we can.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, it was moved by Councillor Curran to adjourn the meeting at 5:00 pm. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, April 15, 2021 at 4:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ron Barron
Mayor

Karen Jennings
Director of Finance/Town Clerk

RB:KJ:tgh