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**WABUSH TOWN COUNCIL  
COUNCIL MEETING #21-07  
July 22, 2021**

**TIME AND PLACE**

A meeting of the Wabush Town Council was held on Thursday, July 22, 2021. The meeting was called to order at 4:08p.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 (on phone)  
Councillor Tina Eastman (on Phone)

Councillor Gertie Canning  
Councillor Boyd AuCoin  
Councillor Sam Andrews

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Mr. Charlie Perry – Town Manager  
Ms. Courtney Harris – Director of Finance/Town Clerk  
Ms. Tara Hynes – Executive Secretary  
Ms. Frances Bell – Executive Secretary (A)

**COUNCILLORS ABSENT**

Councillor Terry Curran – Travel – Out of Service area

**Mayor Ron Barron**

Letter of Support for St. Anthony Hospital – re-instate the ICU beds that they no longer have. We will support them to keep services in the Labrador region.  
Thank you from JR Smallwood Middle School – Darryn and Katherine Cramm would like to say Thank you to the Town of Wabush for their on-going support this year.  
Menihok Nordic Ski Club – Letter of Support for funds towards trails.  
Town Manager Charlie Perry will draft a letter.  
Condolences: Behalf of the Town of Wabush Council, Employees and Staff on the loss of your loved ones.  
Pevie Family – Wilson – loss of wife  
Daigle Family – Ed – loss of wife

**APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES**

It was moved by Councillor Boyd Aucoin and seconded by Sam Andrews to approve minutes of meeting #21-06, #21-06S & #21-07S as presented. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM  
MINUTES**

Everything is status quo.

Mayor Ron Barron with MHA Jordan Brown, was talking with Minister Lisa Dempster: Local hiring vs Out of Town workers. We have to have special permits to work in their communities, they should too. Fly in vs fly out Contractors. This should be watched more closely. Dust issue in town: A lot of complaints called in. Tacora – needs to improve dust control. Mayor Ron Barron suggests to shut them



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down if they cannot control the dust situation.

Water Bomber update: Look at the cost of flying in when needed vs keeping one here on ground.

Health Care: Always and issue with costs to fly outside.

Housing Issues: NL Housing needs to get more housing in the area.

Applications: Dunfield and Grenfell Drive improvements on-going.

### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

It was moved by Councillor Gertie Canning and seconded by Councillor Sam Andrews to adopt agenda for Council Meeting #21-07. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

### **COMMITTEE REPORT: FINANCE**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rick Burke

Seconded by: Counsellor Gertie Canning

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush adopt the 2020 Financial Statements as presented. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

(Counsellor Gertie Canning stepped out 4:18pm – phone call)

Moved by: Councillor Rick Burke

Seconded by: Councillor Gertie Canning

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush adopt the Tax Recovery Plan for the 2021 Fiscal Year as presented. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

### **COMMITTEE REPORT: PLANNING**

Moved by: Councillor Boyd Aucoin

Seconded by: Councillor Sam Andrews

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Wabush commence the process of land conveyance for 15 Squires. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

Moved by: Councillor Boyd Aucoin

Seconded by: Councillor Sam Andrews

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Wabush approve Crown Land Application #158250 – occupy existing lot on TLH. All in Favour.



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Motion Carried

Moved by: Councillor Boyd Aucoin  
Seconded by: Councillor Sam Andrews

(Counsellor Gertie Canning returned at 4:21pm)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Wabush engage PlanTech Environment for amendments to the Municipal Plan & Development Regulations 2018 – 2028. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

Moved by: Councillor Boyd Aucoin  
Seconded by: Councillor Sam Andrews

BE IT RESOLVED, Town of Wabush wishes to amend the Town's current Municipal Plan by re-designating land at Harris Lake and Riordan Lake from Rural to Residential and amending the Development Regulations by rezoning same areas of land from Rural & Mineral Workings to Cabin Development. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

Moved by: Councillor Boyd Aucoin  
Seconded by: Councillor Gertie Canning

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Wabush approve the following land sale and development proposal for the following:

JSM Properties:

Lot 21-5

Lot 21-6

Lot 21-9

Upon further requests, this proposal will be reviewed and approved as development moves forward. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

Moved by: Councillor Boyd Aucoin  
Seconded by: Councillor Sam Andrews

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Wabush approve a transfer of



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Liquor License located at 9 Grenfell Dr. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

### COMMITTEE REPORT: PUBLIC WORKS

#### Report Attached

Road to Regatta area; ballfield are improved.

### COMMITTEE REPORT: RECREATION

#### No Report – Mr. Squire out of town

Town Manager Charlie Perry reports:

- Ballfield – fence improvements are liked by all
- up keep well maintained
- Dog Park – fencing is up but a gate is not yet installed.
- Pool – numbers are down (maybe due to travel restrictions opening = more travelling outside).
- group lessons should be good – getting interest and inquiries from patrons.
- maintenance done with no scheduling interruptions. Pump installed.

Counsellor Tina Eastman:

- Parks/Landscaping – Student hires are doing a phenomenal job. Summer Student Manager, Rod Norman, working well with students. Great job.

### COMMITTEE REPORT: MEO/FIRE DEPT.

#### Report Attached

Mayor Ron Barron:

- Dirt Bikes/Quads are destroying lawns and properties (spinning tires/speeding/cutting through property). There are a lot of trails available so there's no reason to see any in town. There is a blatant disrespect for others' property. If we could identify, or catch, one or two drivers, they should be brought to court. 1 warning then ticketed after that. Counsellor Gertie Canning includes that not all riders are bad. She sees a lot on her street that follow all the safety rules and drive slow down her street. Parents need to be vigilant about speaking/teaching their children of respect and safety while operating a dirt bike/quad/atv.

### COMMITTEE REPORT: POLICY

#### No Policies to report

Counsellor Gertie Canning motions to have the Mail In ballots rescinded because of the COVID-19 regulations. Going back to the last meeting of 21-04.

Motioned by: Counsellor Gertie Canning

Second by: Counsellor Boyd Aucoin

All in favor. Motion carried.

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rick Burke

Seconded by: Counsellor Gertie Canning



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BE IT RESOLVED that, the Town of Wabush rescind motion passed on May 17, 2021 at Council Meeting 21-04S and withdrawal the application made to the Minister to allow Vote by Mail in the 2021 Municipal Election. All in Favour

Motion Carried

### COMMITTEE REPORT: TOWN MANAGER

#### Report Attached

Town Manager Charlie Perry Reports:

- Summer employees: 14 students hired. 5 Casual; 9 full-time. Student Manager, Rod Norman, working great with them. Getting them working on landscaping, clean-up, regatta area.
- Speed Bumps 2 more to go on Grenfell and Cabot. They are slowing down traffic.
- RNC should be doing more patrols in town to deter drivers.
- Dust Control - more action is needed to inform businesses of high level of complaints and issues. Tacora was informed but they are slow to repond to act. Give fair warning if it stays on-going.
- Lawn Mowing on property - a notice should be posted on Facebook, etc. as to not put cuttings on sidewalk or street. A friendly note to businesses as well.

### CORRESPONDENCE

#### Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador

Info Note: June 14, 2021  
June 28, 2021  
July 5, 2021  
July 13, 2021

Municipal Associations Praise Sector for Advancing Safe & Accessible Elections

Memo from President Regarding Safe and Accessible Elections

No Action Required

#### Labrador-Grenfell Health

Public Advisory: COVID-19 Vaccine Appointments Increasing

Final Race to the Vaccine Finish Line!

Temporary Changes at the Charles S. Curtis Memorial Hospital to begin July 1, 2021



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Labrador-Grenfell Health Celebrates Pride 2021

Walk-In Clinics for Dose 1 & 2!!

Shortened Second Dose Schedule for COVID-19 Vaccine

No Action Required

### Municipal Assessment Agency

Update on Municipal Assessment Agency

Retirement Announcement

No Action Required

### Service NL

Re: Plans – Proposed Change of Occupancy for Fabrication Shop  
– 20 Second Avenue

Re: Fire & Life Safety/Building Accessibility Registration Letters  
and Stamped

Drawings for Arctic Cat Shop and Storage Building.

No Action Required

### Dept of Transportation and Infrastructure

Re: Agreement – 17-MYCW-22-00000 Fresh Water Pumphouse  
Replacement.

No Action Required

### Dept. of Industry, Energy and Technology

Exploration Approval for Tacora Resources – Wabush Mountain  
Property Approval.

No Action Required

### Dept. of Municipal and Provincial Affairs

Fall 2020 Drinking Water Quality Data is Now Available.

No Action Required



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### Municipal and Provincial Affairs

Supplementary Circular to Municipalities

No Action Required

### TakeChargeNL

TakeCHARGE LED Bulb Giveaway - This to be posted on Facebook

No Action Required

### Compass Energy Consulting

GICB Application Open. Up to \$25 Million Funding for Green Projects. We can help!

No Action Required

### College of the North Atlantic

Post-Secondary Funding for 2021 High School Graduates – Joyce Family Foundation Bursary Program at CAN

No Action Required

### MNL/PMA

Vote By Mail: A Guide to Crafting Your 2021 VBM Regulations

No Action Required

## **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

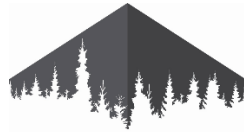
Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rick Burke  
Seconded by: Counsellor Gertie Canning

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush approve Accounts Payable Listing from June 10 to July 16, 2021 in the amount of \$ 347,037.52 as presented. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

## **PERMITS**

Moved by: Counsellor Boyd Aucoin



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Seconded by: Counsellor Gertie Canning

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush approve the following permits:

6400	22 McGregor Lane	Storage Shed
6401	131 Bowater Extension	Driveway
6402	36 Guy Street	Driveway
6403	8 Cashin	Driveway
6404	20 Second Avenue	Occupancy Permit
6405	6 Third Avenue	Occupancy Permit
6406	159 Bowater Extension	Patio
6407	33 Snows Drive	Patio
6408	21 Carson Street	Driveway
6409	169 Grenfell Drive	Removal of Retaining Wall
6410	169 Grenfell Drive	Fence
6411	75 Whiteway Drive	Excavation/Landscaping
6412	26 Reid Street	Driveway
6413	126 Bowater Extension	Driveway
6414	30 Carson Street	Excavation/Landscaping
6415	101 Bowater Extension	Patio
6416	4 First Street	Parking Lot
6417	34 Snows Drive	Driveway
6418	44 Carson Street	Driveway
6419	1 Mines Road	Sign
6420	65 Snows Drive	Patio

- Mayor Ron Barron states that the prices of lumber, paint, etc for renovations have soared. He spoke with Minister Lisa Dempster about businesses gouging our area. They should be held accountable. Properties are looking great with the new renovations.

All in Favour

Motion Carried

### NEW BUSINESS

Deputy Mayor Rick Burke: Inquires why there is a surplus in our budget but the jobs around town are not being done. Put the jobs on agenda for next year.

Counsellor Sam Andrews: Access roads – Whiteway Dr. sideroads are in terrible shape. Trailer court too. Maybe use the recycled asphalt to lay it down for touch up. Town of Lab City was impressed that does a good job.

Mayor Ron Barron: Side roads need to be replaced.

- Ballfield – Ladies league LOVES the field. Hats off to the employees to get it up and running in time for the season. A lot of work and money. Anyone with maintenance issues, contact the town.





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“If we don’t know, we can’t help you”.

Counsellor Boyd Aucoin: Roads...make it one way traffic to make it safer.

Counsellor Tina Eastman – No

Counsellor Gertie Canning – No

### ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, it was moved by Councilor Gertie Canning to adjourn the meeting at 4:58pm. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, August 19, 2021 at 4:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Ron Barron  
Mayor

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Courtney Harris  
Director of Finance/Town Clerk

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