



WABUSH

**TOWN OF WABUSH
2022 BUDGET SPEECH
February 24TH, 2022**

Good evening Mayor Barron, Mr. Perry, fellow councilors and members of the public. Welcome to the presentation of the Town of Wabush 2022 budget.

Before I begin with the budget, I would like to take this opportunity to extend a sincere thanks to our Town Manager, our department heads, fellow councilors, and employees of the Town of Wabush. 2021 saw another year of navigating through the waves of COVID 19 and resulting Alert Level Changes, Guidance Documents and restrictions. Thank you to each and every one of you for your dedication to our town and our residents.

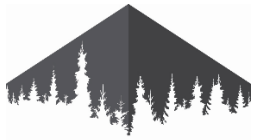
Highlights from 2021

Before I present the 2022 budget, I would like to highlight the achievements of council from the 2021 budget:

- Business Park Wastewater Treatment Plant was commissioned and is in full operation since December 2021.
- Cabot Hill reinstatement was completed including complete storm replacement.
- Phase II, Scully Drive and resulting 8 Business Lots to support the Mining Industry were completed. Most of the lots are sold with only a couple left available.
- Covid prevented the new Arena Boards from getting installed in 2021 but the tender has been awarded and all the components are with the installer to be completed in 2022.
- Municipal Enforcement Truck was replaced.
- **Wabush Volunteer Fire Department took possession of their new Equipment Van and the old Equipment Van was donated to the Labrador West Ground Search and Rescue.**
- New Street Sweeper was purchased.
- Further improvements were done to the Bev Martin Field.

Budget 2022

As co-chair of the finance committee for the Town of Wabush, I am confident that the 2022 budget reflects a balanced approach to providing services that promote safety, health and wellness and investing in our Town's infrastructures for the future. I present to you our 2022 budget of **\$12,432,863.00**. This includes capital spend in the amount of **\$6,391,863.00**.



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Capital Items planned for 2022

Here are some of the highlights:

- Purchase of Loader to replace end of service life piece of equipment.
- Replacement of two light duty trucks.
- Engineering and RFP for new Pumphouse.
- Grenfell Drive Road Reinstatement from Banting to Gilbert
- Playground Equipment

We are please to advise that there are no changes to the Residential Mil rate or W & S rate for 2022.

The discount to seniors' that was offered in previous years will continue at the same rate for 2022. Seniors should note, however, to avail of this discount, applications must be received by the town clerk by **June 30, 2022**.

The Town of Wabush 2022 Budget Submission will be available on the www.labradorwest.com website within the next couple of business days.

Respectfully submitted,

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