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WABUSH TOWN COUNCIL COUNCIL MEETING #22-05 May 19, 2022

- TIME AND PLACE** A meeting of the Wabush Town Council was held on Thursday, May 19th, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm. by Mayor Ron Barron. Mayor Barron welcomed Council and staff and thanked everyone for attending and watching live.
- COUNCILLORS PRESENT** Mayor Ron Barron
Deputy Mayor Kelly O'Brien (on-line)
Councillor Mary-Lou Battcock
Councillor Rick Burke (on-line)
Councillor Bob Cole
Councillor Rita Pynn
Councillor Shazia Razi
- OTHERS PRESENT** Charlie Perry – Town Manager
Kathy Bolger - Town Clerk/Director of Finance
Tara Hynes – Executive Secretary
- PROCLAMATION** Early Childhood Educators' Week 2022 – May 29th to June 4th, 2022
30th Annual World Ocean's Day – June 8th, 2022
Longest Day of Smiles Proclamation – June 19th, 2022
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES** It was moved by Councillor Pynn and seconded by Councillor Battcock to approve minutes of meeting #22-04 as presented. All in Favour.

Motion Carried
- BUSINESS ARISING - ACTION LIST** **Action List Attached**
- ADOPTION OF AGENDA** It was moved by Councillor Razi and seconded by Councillor Battcock to adopt Agenda for council meeting 22-05. All in Favour.

Motion Carried
- COMMITTEE REPORT: FINANCE** **Report Attached**

Moved By: Councillor Razi
Seconded By: Councillor Cole

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush approve donation of \$100 to the 2022 Grad Committee for Menihek High School. All in Favour.

Motion Carried



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Moved By: Councillor Razi
Seconded By: Councillor Pynn

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush donate \$325 to the Royal NL Constabulary 32nd Anniversary Guide focusing on “Senior Abuse Awareness”. All in Favour.

Moved By: Councillor Razi
Seconded By: Councillor Cole

Motion Carried

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush approve monthly Premium IT Support Service for Big Land Network. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

Town Manager Perry mentioned that it is good to see local business supported in the region.

Moved By: Councillor Razi
Seconded By: Councillor Pynn

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve reimbursement of damage claim expenses due to water main valve leak on Snow’s Drive upon the condition that waiver is signed by resident before any monies are released. All in Favour.

Town Manager Perry said policy to be reviewed.

Motion Carried

Moved By: Councillor Razi
Seconded By: Councillor Battcock

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush engage Nova Consultants for Engineering Services in the amount of \$ 28,739.44 to proceed with the Jean Lake Causeway. All in Favour.

Town Manager stated that Nova did the preliminary work. Strict deadline for this fall.

Motion Carried



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COMMITTEE REPORT: PLANNING

Report attached

Moved By: Councillor Pynn
Seconded By: Councillor Razi

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush list Parcel "D" for sale on First Avenue in the size of 0.886ha. All in Favour.
(Wedge shaped corner of First).

Motion Carried

Moved By: Councillor Pynn
Seconded By: Councillor Cole

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush pre-approve temporary workers housing on Scully Drive. Further information to follow regarding development.

Discussion: Mayor against this development. Trying to get community to grow and will not happen with fly in-fly out. This will not free up housing.

Votes For:

DM O'Brien
Councillor Mary-lou Battcock
Councillor Rick Buke
Councillor Bob Cole
Councillor Rita Pynn
Councillor Shazia Razi

Votes Against:

Mayor Barron

Motion Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORT: PUBLIC WORKS

Report Attached

COMMITTEE REPORT: RECREATION

Report Attached

Council met with Town of Labrador City and had a good discussion. A step in the right direction. Waiting on a reply. Council understands everyone's frustration. As Labrador West we have to work together to re-open.



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COMMITTEE REPORT: POLICY

No motions at this time

Working on a few policies. Anti-litter regulations are outdated.

COMMITTEE REPORT: MEO/FIRE DEPT.

Report Attached

New ATV regulations – guidelines within town in progress.
Met with RNC to discuss alternate route options to make it safe for residents and for those that want to enjoy quiet time.

TOWN MANAGER

New pumphouse – Engineers working on Tender documents.

Surveyors in this week shooting storms. Site visit in next week. RPF coming. Timeline needs to be tightened up. Want Asphalt down before season ends.

Expression of interest gone out for July 1st Jean Lake for food service, band and beer tent.

Clean Up Week, May 24 to 27th – MMSB sponsored.
Encourage residents to come to Town Hall for garbage bags and gloves, drop garbage on curb. Take picture of clean up and there will be a draw for gift cards. We encourage families to participate.

CORRESPONDENCE

Information Package given to Council. No Action Required.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

Moved By: Councillor Razi
Seconded By: Councillor Burke

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush approve Accounts Payable Listing from April 14 to May 4, 2022 in the amount of \$ 1,339,490.60 as presented with the following abstentions:

Cheque #35447	Dexter Institute	Councillor Battcock
Cheque #35463	Dexter Institute	Councillor Battcock
Cheque #35476	Dexter Institute	Councillor Battcock

All in Favour. Motion Carried.

PERMITS:

Moved by: Councillor Pynn
Seconded by: Councillor Razi

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

6509	22 Second Avenue	Temporary Office Trailer
6511	53 Bowater Drive	Driveway



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6512	54 Grenfell Drive	Driveway
6513	26 Carson	Patio
6514	151 Bowater Drive Ext.	Foundation Repair
6515	1 Anderson Street	Garage Extension
6516	16 McGregor Lane	Detached Accessory Building
6517	16 McGregor Lane	Fence

All in Favour. Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS

Moved By: Councillor Razi
Seconded By: Councillor Burke

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush approve the tender for Gravelys to Energy Lock Services in the amount of \$17,352.50 for the purchase of One (1) Gravelly only as per budget allocation for 2022. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

Town Manager commented that the Gravely' s prices have increased in excess of \$4,000. We may have to be open to other brands as there is issues with the current ones.

Mayor Barron declared a conflict and abstained from voting.

Moved By: Councillor Razi
Seconded By: Councillor Cole

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Wabush approve the tender for ½ ton Pickup Truck to Labrador Motors in the amount of \$ 55,243.95 as per budget allocation for 2022. All in Favour.

Motion Carried

Town Manager commented that there is another crew cab in the fleet. There were four (4) of the current fleet down this week. One will not return to the fleet.

Deputy Mayor O'Brien

Deputy Mayor wondered if any action was taken for video and mic for the Council chambers. Town Manager Perry stated that the IT guys were in today and should have a quote shortly. Goose Bay Council gave us some good input on what to use.

Regatta is going ahead and she is looking forward to rowing.



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Councillor Burke

Land is available at Snows Drive. Encourages anyone to reach out. There are 8 lots available.

Councillor Razi

Ballfield Rentals should be available next week. Needs to be well fertilized. Town manager stated that it is draining off well.

She is glad to see the playground is open and swings are up.

Councillor Cole

Update on Bell and pumphouse to water tower. Line damage on the pole next to Bowater Extension, waiting on testing tool from Goose Bay. Looking at a local provider.

Councillor Pynn

Talking to individuals that are trying to buy or rent homes. Pricing war on real estate. There are regulations that can be found through the NL government. Prices are out of reach for most people. You can file a complaint because it is not allowed.

Mayor Barron spoke to government to see what kind of housing they can help develop whether it be Seniors homes, long term care etc. He stated that telling mining companies NOT to bring people here is not what the communities need but there is too much price gouging. There can be fair value for homes without gouging people.

Councillor Razi

Family resource centres in Labrador haven't had a raise in 10 years. Currently being paid \$13.50/hr. and is why they can't retain employees. Red Bay will have to close their Centre if something doesn't change.

Town manager discussed circular from Department of Education on \$10/day childcare. He will reach out to the Centre in JR Smallwood to partner with them. Childcare placements are 600 short.

Doctors can not open clinics due to hours in emergency. Nurse practitioners need to be paid through MCP to relieve the overload.



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Mayor Barron

Mayor Barron sent his condolences on behalf of Council to the Drover family on the passing of Dennis Drover, a beloved volunteer to the community.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, meeting was called to adjournment by Councillor Cole at 6:22 p.m. Next meeting is scheduled for June 16th, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ron Barron
Mayor

Charlie Perry
Town Manager/Town Clerk (A)

RB:CP:tgh