



**WABUSH**

**WABUSH TOWN COUNCIL  
COUNCIL MEETING #23-05  
May 25, 2023**

**TIME AND PLACE** A meeting of the Wabush Town Council was held on May 25, 2023.  
The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm by Mayor Barron.

**COUNCILLORS PRESENT** Mayor Ron Barron  
Councillor Mary-Lou Battcock (Phone)  
Councillor Bob Cole  
Councillor Rita Pynn  
Deputy Mayor Kelly O'Brien  
Councillor Shazia Razi

**COUNCILLORS ABSENT** Councillor Burke

**OTHERS PRESENT** Charlie Perry – Town Manager  
Darlene Roberts – Administrative Clerk  
Tiffanee Rideout – Town Clerk  
Kathy Bolger – Town Clerk

**PROCLAMATION/  
VISITORS/PETITIONS** None

**APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES** Be it so moved and seconded that Council approve minutes #23-04  
as presented.

Moved By: Councillor Cole  
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor O'Brien

All in Favour  
Motion Carried



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**BUSINESS ARISING  
ACTION LIST**

The repair amount on the MARC front canopy and steps is higher than anticipated due to work being more extensive than initially quoted. There are 2 funding opportunities in progress to alleviate some of the financial burden on the recreation budget.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

It was moved by Councillor Pynn and seconded by Councillor Razi to adopt Agenda for council meeting # 23-05.

All in Favour  
Motion Carried

**COMMITTEE REPORT:  
FINANCE**

**Report Attached**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council award Tender for two ½ ton pick-up trucks in the amount of \$ 135,400.00 to Carol Auto.

Moved by: Councillor Razi  
Seconded by: Councillor Pynn

All in Favour  
Motion Carried

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council award the Tender for one 40' C-Can in the amount of \$ 23,920.00 to Energy Lock Inc.

Moved by: Councillor Razi  
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor O'Brien

All in Favour  
Motion Carried

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council approve the extension of employment for Kathy Bolger (outgoing Town Clerk) up to June 9<sup>th</sup> for the 2022 Audit preparation.

Moved by: Councillor Razi  
Seconded by: Councillor Pynn

All in Favour  
Motion Carried

Thank you was extended to both Town Clerks on their work.



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**COMMITTEE REPORT: Report Attached**  
**PLANNING**

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**POLICY**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council rescind the Loss Wages Policy.

Moved By: Councillor Razi  
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor O'Brien

All in Favour  
Motion Carried

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council adopt the Nepotism Policy as presented.

Moved By: Councillor Razi  
Seconded By: Councillor Pynn

All in Favour  
Motion Carried

This policy was put in place to show clear guidelines for staff to follow.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council adopt the Protection of Water Supply Regulations as presented.

Moved By: Councillor Razi  
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor O'Brien

All in Favour  
Motion Carried

Residents are reminded to stay outside the gates of the water shed, and cameras will be monitored for compliance.



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**COMMITTEE REPORT:  
PUBLIC WORKS**

**Report Attached**

Residents were reminded that the removal of cars or wrecks is free of charge, and to call the Town Office for pick-up.

There will be another small scale clean up week scheduled for June before Come Home Year celebrations.

**COMMITTEE REPORT:  
RECREATION**

**Report Attached**

Eventbrite was successful in the summer swim registration.

Block Lab installed WIFI in the teen center. It was suggested that WIFI and air conditioning be installed upstairs in the MARC to attract financial opportunities to accommodate conferences.

Residents are reminded to tell children to respect our playground equipment. It was suggested recreation to cost wood chips to go around our playground pieces like Fermont's playground to enhance safety and esthetics.

**COMMITTEE REPORT:  
MEO/FIRE DEPT.**

**Report Attached**

Off-road vehicle & anti-litter regulations will be available in the coming weeks.

The MEO will be sending clean up orders to residents and businesses in the coming days. Residents are reminded to pick up after their pets. The town will be putting out more waste baskets for disposal of puppy bags.



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### TOWN MANAGER

#### No Report Attached

Grenfell Drive Road construction will commence 2 weeks before and be completed by Come Home Year Celebrations. Residents are reminded to respect road signs during this time.

The Pump House repair tender will be out in the coming weeks and will be completed next year. The communication to the Water Tower will be repaired as soon as the contractor becomes available.

Residents are cautioned to be mindful of equipment and staff working on the west side of the Jean Lake trail.

### CORRESPONDENCE

Scaffold steps will be a temporary solution for the MARC front steps.

### ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

#### Report Attached

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town of Wabush approves Accounts Payable Listing from April 13<sup>th</sup> – May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023, in the amount of \$1,281,623.80 with the following abstentions.

36595	Dexter Institute	Councillor Battcock
36586	Gateway Labrador	Councillor Razi
36536	Labrador Motors	Mayor Barron
36567	Labrador Motors	Mayor Barron

Moved By: Deputy Mayor O'Brien

Seconded By: Councillor Cole

All in Favour  
Motion Carried

### PERMITS:

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council approve the following permits:

6602	Winter Water Shut Off	2 First Street
6603	Snow Dump	
6604	Roofing Repairs	16 First Avenue
6605	Office / Warehouse	4-6 First Avenue
6606	Roofing Repairs	D Grenfell Drive
6607	Porch	30 Cabot Drive



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6608	Detached Accessory Building	138 Grenfell Drive
6609	Patio	8 Reid Street
6610	Detached Accessory Building	42 Snows Drive
6611	Detached Accessory Building	33 Shea Street
6612	Green House	47 Grenfell Drive
6613	Wheelchair Ramp	1 Cashin Avenue
6614	Excavation	206 Scully Drive
6615	Excavation	204 Scully Drive
6616	Porch	31 Shea Street
6617	Fence	106 Grenfell Drive

Moved By: Councillor Pynn  
Seconded By: Councillor Razi

All in Favour  
Motion Carried

Residents & Businesses were reminded to obtain a permit for this summer's renovations.

### NEW BUSINESS:

#### Deputy Mayor O'Brien

There was a reminder to residents that the Regatta Committee will be holding an event on Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup> to encourage more people to try rowing. There will be refreshments and coaching to recruit more teams to enter the sport for this year's event.

Canada Day celebration activities will be held in the evening in Wabush, and daytime activities will be held in Labrador City.

The Recreation Committee will be holding their next meeting with the Steelworkers Union early in June, and a new agreement should be signed to extend the agreement between the towns until a final agreement is finalized by both Councils.

#### Councillor Razi

The 2 Anderson notice was sent out and waiting on contact from the owners for next steps.

Reminded residents if they have issues with noisy mufflers, they should contact the RNC. The MEO is drafting a letter in response to a resident complaint received this week.



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Thanked the Public Works Director for his work, and congratulated Sherri Lilly on her retirement. There were many dust complaints this past week, and council will draft a letter to hold our partners accountable. The Town also recognizes their part in the dust problem and will work to correct it in a timely fashion.

### **Councillor Cole**

The ballfield advertising is running behind schedule. Would like to see businesses solicited early because there is only 1 print shop in the area to get the signs completed in time for the start of the softball season.

Would like the Town to do a contest to name the road that leads to Tacora Resources mine. The underpass will be renamed as well in the coming weeks.

Would like letters to be drafted to Government concerning the 17-cent carbon tax. Councillor Pynn has already sent letters regarding this issue.

### **Councillor Pynn**

Congratulations were extended to Sherri Lilly on her retirement with her contributions spanning over 34 years of service with the Town of Wabush. Thanks was given to Kathy Bolger for her contributions to the town with her vast knowledge and experience with committees, leadership, and budgeting. Well wishes go out to both ladies on their future endeavors.

Residents and businesses were reminded to make cleaning up around their properties a top priority before Come Home Year Celebrations commence. Would like to see pamphlets made to distribute to seniors with no access to online Come Home Year activity calendars.

Lawn sweeping has started with hills, corner lots, and heavily soiled lawns from snow clearing as top priority. Not all lawns will be swept, and residents are encouraged to sweep their own property. The town will also get the industrial park swept this year. Would like to see businesses get involved in community clean up similar to Goose Bay.



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**Mayor Barron**

Condolences were sent to the families of the late Keith Penny, Vince Colbert, Eddie Carter, and Allan Slade. Anyone who would like our memorial flag lowered for a loved one's passing is encouraged to call the Town Office as our staff sometimes do not have knowledge of their passing.

Congratulations from the Council to Sherri Lilly on her 30 plus years with the Town of Wabush and wishing her all the best in the future. Thanks to Kathy Bolger from all the Council for all her work, and well wishes for the future. Thanks to Tiffanee on her eagerness to learn.

Sea Cadet annual inspections held on Saturday at the Legion in Wabush are open to the public, and residents are encouraged to attend.

Residents were commended for the cleanup week efforts. Residents were encouraged to continue so the community looks beautiful for this summer's events.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, meeting was called to adjournment by Councillor Pynn at 6:39 p.m. Next meeting is to be June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ron Barron  
Mayor

Tiffanee Rideout  
Director of Finance

RB:TR:dlr