

Facilities		
Proposed Project	Rationale	Expense
Construction of Storage Space at the Arena.	Inadequate storage space for growing inventory is causing damage and accessibility issues with equipment and supplies in cold storage during winter.	\$\$\$\$\$
Upgrades and Maintenance for Town Hall/Fire Hall	A 2021 assessment revealed aging roof, drafty windows, a lack of insulation on exterior walls, and inadequate office space for a growing workforce.	\$\$\$\$\$
Explore Potential Sites for a Stand-Alone Gymnastics Facility and Begin Design Work.	The gymnastics club, with 430 members and 50 years of operation, lacks a permanent facility. Past funding requests for a multiplex, which could have accommodated gymnastics, were denied. Currently, the Town provides an annual grant to support their lease. The organization urgently requires a permanent location.	\$\$\$\$\$
Upgrade vs New Facility: A Comparative Analysis is Proposed for the Carol Curling Club.	An assessment found that key systems are near the end of their lifespan, requiring substantial upgrades. Also, the current layout poses accessibility challenges. A comparative analysis of incremental reinvestment versus constructing a new facility is planned for 2024.	\$\$\$\$\$
Open Spaces		
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Booth Master Plan – Redevelopment of Booth Recreation Area	Proposed redevelopment includes new parking, storage areas, a relocated ball field, and multiple soccer fields. Short-term improvements involve expanding the skateboard park, relocating the softball field, and potentially building a turf soccer field.	\$\$\$\$\$
Frontier 53 Trail Development and Upgrades to Existing Trails.	Expansion of existing trails in phases that will eventually connect Tanya Lake Trail in Labrador City to the Jean Lake Trail Wabush.	\$\$\$\$\$
Wabush Narrows Crossing	The Town is exploring building a bridge or causeway over Wabush Narrows to connect the trail network, reducing the need for cyclists, ATV users, and runners to share the highway.	\$\$\$\$\$
Al Thoms Recreation Area Re-Development (Formerly Indian Point)	The site will have a larger more natural dog park, a boardwalk with a pier for boats, an observation tower, and a new playground, with plenty of parking and easy access to the trail network. The softball fields will be relocated as part of the Booth Master Plan.	\$\$\$\$\$
Infrastructure		
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Willow Drive	Council is aware of flooding issues on Willow Drive during spring thaws, due to the lack of storm infrastructure. Repair costs are over \$6 million, necessitating Government aid. Council will reapply for funding by dividing the project into manageable phases to enhance approval chance	\$\$\$\$\$
Storm Upgrade	The storm infrastructure near Walsh River Road, Harrie Lake Road, and Ashuanipi Crescent is aging and in poor condition, leading to issues like leaks and blockages during storms. Replacing infrastructure in these areas will improve the stormwater system's performance and reliability.	\$\$\$\$\$
Trunk Sewer Replacement	We must replace a deteriorating section of trunk sewer due to surface damage, and while camera inspections haven't pinpointed the issue, we will excavate and replace the line to ensure long-term functionality.	\$\$\$\$\$
Industrial Park	We hoped to pave Humphrey/Luce Street in the Industrial Park, but the funding application was denied, leaving us with limited options. The project's cost is a concern, so we are actively seeking alternative solutions and partnerships to make it happen for the benefit of businesses and stakeholders in the area.	\$\$\$\$\$

Hot Topics	
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IronFest	IronFest aims to entertain people of all ages through a 3–5-day festival, including the highly anticipated IronFest Concert. The main goal is to give back to our community and engage residents in celebrating together as we enter a post-pandemic era. It also provides an opportunity to attract visitors and establish IronFest as a well-known provincial event and a significant tourism attraction.
Facility Accessibility	Council is committed to making public facilities accessible to all, including recent improvements like adding accessible playground equipment, ramps, and removing barriers. They aim to retrofit older facilities to meet modern accessibility standards, which may require significant changes, and are preparing for potential legislative changes that could impact existing buildings.
Asset Management	An Asset Management Plan evaluates the condition of municipal assets and guides repairs and replacements, it complies with federal and provincial regulations and impacts funding opportunities. The Town is working on its plan, aiming to meet the Canada Community Building Fund's objectives, but building in-house capacity for asset management is challenging.
Citizen Engagement	The Town prioritizes open communication, transparency, and community engagement. We have launched a program using videos and newsletters to inform residents about municipal activities, and plan to enhance two-way communication for constructive feedback.
Regional Governance	Labrador City is working towards formalizing recreational regional services with Wabush and securing provincial funding for facilities through regional partnerships, especially after the temporary closure of the MARC in 2022.
Land Development	<p>Industrial: Labrador City needs suitable land for the mining sector's growth but lacks options within its boundaries. We have considered a satellite industrial park nearby but have concerns about its proximity to mines. Our current approach is to direct developers to Wabush's expanding industrial park, and supporting regional economic growth, even if it doesn't bring direct tax benefits to Labrador City.</p> <p>Residential: Labrador City lacks suitable land for housing, and despite high demand and rising prices, an RFP for residential development received no responses. Council is also addressing seniors housing needs by collaborating with stakeholders and government representatives. We remain committed to finding innovative solutions for residential land development.</p> <p>Commercial: Labrador City seeks commercial development, focusing on two options: land near the hospital (challenging due to terrain and costs) and the preferred soccer field area (well-located). Council is actively collaborating with potential developers to boost the local economy.</p>
New Complex	The Tanya Lake Centre had excellent features but didn't secure funding. In 2020, the MARC closure led to reevaluating priorities, and both towns worked on a regional governance structure with a Memorandum of Understanding and aim to establish a plan for capital reinvestment.