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**WABUSH TOWN COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING #23-11
November 23rd , 2023**

TIME AND PLACE A meeting of the Wabush Town Council was held on November 23rd, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 5:39pm by Mayor Barron.

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

OTHERS PRESENT Charlie Perry – Town Manager
Tiffanee Rideout – Town Clerk/Director of Finance
Christal Courtney – Administrative Clerk

**PROCLAMATION/
VISITORS/PETITIONS**

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

Be it so moved and seconded that Council approve minutes #23-10 as presented.

Moved By: Councillor Burke
Seconded By: Councillor Battcock

All in Favour
Motion Carried

**BUSINESS ARISING
ACTION LIST**

An application for a proposal to designate a secure area for recreational vehicles is in progress.



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ADOPTION OF AGENDA It was moved by Councillor Battcock and seconded by Councillor Pynn to adopt Agenda for council meeting # 23-10.

All in Favour
Motion Carried

**COMMITTEE REPORT:
FINANCE** **Report Attached**

BE IT RESOLVED that council deny the request to Make a Wish Foundation Canada as our donation funds have already been given to our provincial Make a Wish Foundation.

Moved By: Councillor Burke
Seconded By: Councillor Pynn

All in Favour
Motion Carried

Mayor Barron did not vote due to conflict of interest.

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves a donation in the amount of \$100.00 for four (4) meals for the Knight of Columbus Seniors Christmas Party.

Moved By: Councillor Burke
Seconded By: Councillor Battcock

All in Favour
Motion Carried

Councillor Cole was unavailable to vote at this time.

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves Town Clerk salary recommendations as presented.

Moved By: Councillor Burke
Seconded By: Councillor Pynn

All in Favour
Motion Carried



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BE IT RESOLVED that Council award the tender for a 20' C-Can with end door to Gagnon Management Ltd in the amount of \$7100.00 plus HST.

Moved By: Councillor Burke
Seconded By: Councillor Razi

All in Favour
Motion Carried

This C-Can was budgeted in 2023 and used for storage at the arena.

BE IT RESOLVED that Council award the tender for the supply, installation oversight and supervision of two (2) Fairbanks pumps to Northern Investments Inc. (Flotech) in the amount of \$127,293.90 Plus HST.

Moved By: Councillor Burke
Seconded By: Councillor Razi

All in Favour
Motion Carried

There is a diesel pump to use for backup.

COMMITTEE REPORT: PLANNING

Report Attached

MOTIONS- PLANNING

BE IT RESOLVED that council approves the following Crown Land applications:

160733	NL Hydro terminal station
160736	NL Hydro terminal station
160229	Recreational cottage in a cabin development zone
160118	Recreational cottage in a cabin development zone
160187	Recreational cottage in a cabin development zone



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115370	Transfer of land from lease to grant in a cabin development zone. Recreational cottage built on land years ago.
72461	Transfer of land from lease to grant in a cabin development zone. Recreational cottage built on land years ago.
73231	Recreational cottage in a cabin development zone
161371	Recreational cottage in a cabin development zone
161421	Recreational cottage in a cabin development zone
157482	NL Hydro Easement
161842	Commercial Grant as a discretionary use in the Rural and Mineral Workings Zones.
161806	Rio Tinto Wind Station
161807	Rio Tinto Wind Station
161821	Recreational cottage in a cabin development zone

Moved By: Councillor Pynn
Seconded By: Councillor Razi

All in Favour
Motion Carried

BE IT RESOLVED that council deny the requests for the following Crown Land applications:

161631	Outside of cottage zoning area
161598	Outside of cottage zoning area
161517	Outside of cottage zoning area
161516	Outside of cottage zoning area
161603	Outside of cottage zoning area
161432	Outside of cottage zoning area
161433	Outside of cottage zoning area
160241	Outside of cottage zoning area

Moved By: Councillor Pynn
Seconded By: Councillor Battcock

All in Favour
Motion Carried

Links will be provided to the public to locate zoning areas.



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BE IT RESOLVED that council approves land Conveyance for 25 Walsh Avenue.

Moved By: Councillor Pynn
Seconded By: Councillor Battcock

All in Favour
Motion Carried

BE IT RESOLVED that council approves quarry Permit ALT13342-2023.

Moved By: Councillor Pynn
Seconded By: Councillor Burke

All in Favour
Motion Carried

BE IT RESOLVED that council approves home-based business at 26 Bond Street.

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

All in Favour
Motion Carried

BE IT RESOLVED that council approves home-based business at 70 Snows Drive.

Moved By: Councillor Pynn
Seconded By: Councillor Burke

All in Favour
Motion Carried

**COMMITTEE REPORT:
POLICY**

Report Attached

The Town will review insurances and liabilities for the mandatory helmets at the arena.

COMMITTEE REPORT:

Report Attached



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PUBLIC WORKS

Mayor Ron Barron is encouraging residents on Snows Drive to inquire at the Town Hall about lots available for sale at a reduction of 75%

The sewer backup that occurred November 22nd, could have been caused by many factors. All Residents are encouraged to call the Town Hall if you notice any blockages.

Councillor Battcock reminded all residents not to pile snow on top of fire hydrants due to safety concerns.

COMMITTEE REPORT: RECREATION

No Report attached.

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves the offer of employment to the successful candidate as recommended by the Hiring Committee for the position of Recreation Facilities Manager.

Moved By: Deputy Mayor O'Brien

Seconded By: Councillor Pynn

All in Favour
Motion Carried

There were 56 teams that attended the Annual Alvin Parrill Tournament, and it was a success.

The outdoor ice rink is in the process of being completed in the coming weeks.

Residents are reminded that the Santa Claus parade is taking place on December 2nd at 4:45pm. The Santa Claus skate will take place on December 3. The Town of Wabush Facebook page will announce registration for the Christmas Skate.

Recreational Center New Blue Zone accessible parking will be clearly marked from the front access to the side end on Bond Street. This will open an extra parking place by the side entrance. RMS will install handrails in the coming weeks. All parking areas will be sanded regularly.



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There will be meetings for the Regionalization of Recreation in the coming weeks.

Councillor Razi shared concerns about the teen center stairs being icy. The town will keep monitoring it closely.

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

Report Attached

TOWN MANAGER

No Report Attached

Securing funding from the Federal Government for a new pumphouse is still ongoing.

The side entrance door at the recreation center will be checked to see if it can be modified to open the opposite way.

CORRESPONDENCE

(Information Package Distributed to Council)

**ACCOUNTS
PAYABLE:**

Report Attached

This resolution will be deferred until December 2023 public meeting as there was not enough councillors present for Quorum.

PERMITS:

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves the following permits:

6709	Excavation	4 Grenfell
6710	Fence	95 Grenfell
6711	Excavation	2 Grenfell

Moved By: Councillor Pynn
Seconded By: Councillor Razi

All in Favour
Motion Carried



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NEW BUSINESS:

Councillor Razi

Councillor Razi inquired if staffing was adequate to effectively deal with emergency water breaks or sewer backups and was assured, there were. She would like to see high traffic areas cleared as a priority.

Councillor Razi is sending her support to the war-torn areas overseas.

Councillor Razi said that 2/3 of residents were not in favor of putting a stop sign on Grenfell Drive, Union Street intersection, and would like the town to continue to look for other solutions.

Councillor Pynn

Councillor Pynn commended public works for keeping the roads clear of snow. Councillor Pynn inquired about Seniors paying small amounts of money to get ice and the windrow removed from their driveways the same as the Town of Labrador City implemented. Councillor Battcock expressed concerns that the new loader attachments are subpar.

Councillor Pynn express concerns about the lack of Health Care options. The link for anyone without a family Doctor is available online.

Deputy Mayor Kelly O'Brien left the meeting.

Councillor Battcock

Councillor Battcock was looking for best solutions to the intersections in the industrial park and the town will consult experts for recommendations for best solutions. Lighting in this area needs to be upgraded and the Town will have to check on the jurisdiction it falls under.

Councillor Burke

Councillor Burke reminded residents that Christmas parties are starting again and to drive responsibly.

Councillor Burke left the meeting at 7:05pm



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Mayor Barron

Mayor Barron would like to include all Wabush venues for consideration when booking next year's Christmas party.

Mayor Barron would like the town to inquire about permitting for Tacora Resources.

Transport Canada was invoiced for the work done on the airport.

Mayor Barron would like to get pricing for a chair lift for the Mike Adam Recreation Complex.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, meeting was called to adjournment by Councillor Pynn at 7:24p.m. Next meeting to be determined.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ron Barron
Mayor

Charlie Perry
Town Manager

RB:TR:cc