



**WABUSH**

**WABUSH TOWN COUNCIL  
COUNCIL MEETING #24-9  
September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**TIME AND PLACE**

A meeting of the Wabush Town Council was held on September 19, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 5.33pm by Mayor Ron Barron.

**COUNCILLORS  
PRESENT**

Mayor Ron Barron  
Deputy Mayor O'Brien arrived 5:54p.m  
Councillor Battcock  
Councillor Cole Via Phone  
Councillor Razi

**ABSENT**

Councillor Pynn  
Councillor Burke

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Norman Keats 5:46 p.m. – Excused 5:50p.m  
Tiffanee Rideout – Town Clerk  
Christal Courtney – Administrative Clerk  
Charlie Perry – Town Manager

**PROCLAMATION/  
VISITORS/PETITIONS**

N/A

**APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES**

Be it so moved and seconded that Council approve minutes 24-8, and 24-8S as presented.

Moved By: Councillor Battcock  
Seconded By: Councillor Cole

All in Favour  
Motion Carried



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### BUSINESS ARISING ACTION LIST

#### Report Attached

The Tender for the MARC Steps has been advertised. The Town is encouraging anyone interested in this tender to obtain a copy to bid from the Town office, or the towns Facebook page. The update will include a wheelchair accessible ramp at the main entrance as well as automatic accessible doors for the main lobby and youth center.

There will be a lift installed from the top floor down to the bottom floor of the MARC.

The Town will investigate installing a wheelchair viewing platform in the gymnasium.

Senior's parking will remain at the front doors of the MARC.

No shavings were generated from the asphalt patching on the highway to reuse at the Jean Lake trail system.

Mayor Barron would like the town to investigate obtaining government funding to help assist in purchasing a Fire Smart Program for the community and check with different Provinces to see what programs they are using.

### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

It was moved by Councillor Razi and seconded by Councillor Cole to adopt Agenda 24-9 as presented.

All in Favour  
Motion Carried

### COMMITTEE REPORT: FINANCE

#### Report Attached

**BE IT RESOLVED** that council approve an in-kind donation of (1) 10 swim pass and (1) 10 Bowling pass to the Minor Hockey Association for their silent auction.



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Moved By: Councillor Razi  
Seconded By: Councillor Battcock

Motion Carried

**BE IT RESOLVED** that council agree to add Instructor Level 2 wage category to the salary listing for casual pool staff as presented.

Moved By: Councillor Razi  
Seconded By: Councillor Battcock

Motion Carried

The Town Manager is encouraging certified lifeguards and instructors to apply for casual pool positions.

Mayor Ron Barron is encouraging anyone interested in volunteering to call the town. Volunteers are needed to help in the community.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that council approve the addition of one patch and curb to the Patching and Sidewalk Tender in the amount of \$42,547.76 including HST.

Moved By: Councillor Razi  
Seconded By: Councillor Battcock

Motion Carried

**BE IT RESOLVED** that council award the Tender for Road Sand on Demand from Allards Distributing Limited in the amount of \$35.94/ton plus HST.

Moved By: Councillor Razi  
Seconded By: Councillor Battcock

Motion Carried



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**BE IT RESOLVED** that council approve the 2023 Financial Statements as presented.

Moved By: Councillor Razi  
Seconded By: Councillor Battcock

Motion Carried

The Town Manager advised that financial statements are available to the public on the Labradorwest.com website.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that, we he Ultimate Recipient, Town of Wabush, accept the Canada Community Building Fund Administration Agreement 2024-2029 as presented.

Moved By: Councillor Razi  
Seconded By: Councillor Battcock

**BE IT RESOLVED** that council approve the purchase of a new overhead garage door for the depot as presented.

Moved By: Councillor Razi  
Seconded By: Councillor Battcock

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

The Town Manager stated that the 16x16 doors at the depot has failed and we need to get one ordered immediately as there is a six-week lead time. We currently have no access to the equipment inside of the building.

**COMMITTEE REPORT:      Report Attached**  
**POLICY**

No Policy Report



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**BE IT RESOLVED** that council waive business tax and application fees for a nonprofit group at the Wabush Shopping Plaza.

Moved By: Deputy Mayor O'Brien

Seconded By: Councillor Razi

The Town needs to look into a snow clearing assistance program for the seniors.

**COMMITTEE REPORT: Report Attached**  
**PUBLIC WORKS**

Councillor Cole commended Caroline Adey and the summer students for a great job cleaning up around town.

Public works has completed two of the fire hydrants with two remaining to complete.

**COMMITTEE REPORT: Report Attached**  
**RECREATION**

Jean lake trail has just under 300 m left to finish, and the Town is getting good feedback from residents.

There will be lights put up on the town side of the Jean Lake trail in the coming weeks.

The pool is back up and running after its annual maintenance.

The gymnasium floors at the MARC are stripped and waxed.

Arena plans are starting in the coming week.

The Rainbow Run on September 7<sup>th</sup> had a large turnout at the Jean Lake Trail. It was nice to see the town employees assisting in the cleanup.

Insurance for groups renting space for recreational activities will be required, and the groups must provide proof of their insurance to the Recreation Department office.



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Mayor Barron advised that this is a liability to the town. The Town will look into offering coverage to those groups who do not carry their own insurance.

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

No Report

**CORRESPONDENCE** (Information Package Distributed to Council)

Councillor Razi suggested having something for Earth Day. The Town could get some trees and pass out to the students in JRS, so they can plant them. Also, have the students clean up some garbage around the Town.

Mayor Barron suggested the town provide cans for the students to paint.

Mayor Barron stated that if Champion Mines opens, the Town will not support fly in and fly out operations. There will be no camps, only workers from our community.

Councillor Razi would like hydro to look into getting Wabush back up power from Quebec in case of emergencies. Labrador City currently has this capability.

Mayor Barron would like the town to request a meeting with NL Hydro.

**ACCOUNTS**  
**PAYABLE:**

**Report Attached**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town of Wabush approves Accounts Payable Listing from August 14 - September 11, 2024, in the amount of \$355,107.27 with the following abstentions:

38099	Labrador Motors	Mayor Barron
38070	Reunion	Mayor Barron



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Moved By: Councillor Razi  
Seconded By: Councillor Cole

All in Favour  
Motion Carried

### PERMITS:

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

6768	Landscaping	101 Grenfell
6769	Excavation	Sector PM 30-PM 35
6770	Fence	52 Cabot
6771	Driveway	22 Winter
6772	Driveway	32 Carson
6773	Patio	18 Winter
6774	Detached accessory	29 Guy
6775	Detached accessory	10 Guy
6776	Fence	11 Shea
6777	New warehouse	10-2 Lakeview
6778	Interior apartment reno	2 Grenfell
6779	Garage demolition	27 Bowater
6780	Detached accessory	36 Grenfell
6781	Patio	27 Bowater
6782	Excavation	28 Grenfell
6783	Patio ramp	37 Anderson
6784	Occupancy	2 Grenfell
6786	Culvert repairs	Mile 32-68 N

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

All in Favour  
Motion Carried

### NEW BUSINESS:

No Report



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### **Councillor Razi:**

Councillor Razi requested an overview of the projects the Town has approved, and a list of the projects that have been completed or still pending to compare for this Budget year.

### **Councillor Battcock:**

No Report

### **Councillor Cole:**

No Report

### **Mayor Barron:**

Mayor Barron sends his sincere condolences to the family for the late Tom Snow. He was the former Fire Chief of the WWFD, and a dedicated volunteer in the Town.

Mayor Barron sends his condolences to the family for the late Joan Slaney, who was a true pioneer of the town of Wabush.

Mayor Barron sends his condolences to the family of the late Keith Whiteway, a former resident of Wabush. He worked in Wabush Mines for many years.

Mayor Barron thanked residents and Council for allowing him to attend the Wabush Reunion in Gander. Mayor Barron thanked the organizers, including Rita Pynn, for an incredible event.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, meeting was called to adjournment by Councillor Razi at 6:33p.m. The next meeting will be held on October 17, 2024. Possibly the 23<sup>rd</sup> of October.





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Respectfully Submitted,

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Ron Barron  
Mayor

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Tiffanee Rideout  
Town Clerk

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