



**WABUSH**

**WABUSH TOWN COUNCIL  
COUNCIL MEETING #25-9  
September 18th , 2025**

**TIME AND PLACE**

A meeting of the Wabush Town Council was held on September 18, 2025. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by Mayor Ron Barron.

**COUNCILLORS  
PRESENT**

Mayor Ron Barron  
Councillor Battcock  
Councillor Cole  
Councillor Pynn – Via Phone  
Councillor Burke – Via Phone

**ABSENT**

Deputy Mayor O'Brien  
Councillor Razi

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Tiffanee Rideout – Town Clerk  
Darlene Roberts – Administrative Clerk  
Charlie Perry – Town Manager

**PROCLAMATION/  
VISITORS/PETITIONS**

None

**APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES**

Be it so moved and seconded that Council approve minutes 25-8 as presented.

Moved By: Councillor Cole  
Seconded By: Councillor Battcock

All in Favour  
Motion Carried





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**BUSINESS ARISING  
ACTION LIST**

**Report Attached**

The engineering team held a meeting with the Town Manager on Friday, September 12, to review the progress and planning of the MARC step reconstruction project. Following this, work on the project commenced on Sunday, September 14, 2025. An important aspect of the ongoing project involves assessing the sidewalk in front of the MARC. The sidewalk will be evaluated to determine the total cost of completion and to verify if the current budget allocation is sufficient to finish the work within the current fiscal year. This assessment is crucial as the project is currently partially funded, and additional financial planning may be necessary to ensure the completion of the sidewalk.

The Town plans to proactively communicate with the NL School Board by sending letters earlier in the year, specifically before the upcoming summer months. This initiative aims to ensure that the properties under the Board's authority are maintained to a higher standards, promoting better upkeep over the coming years.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

It was moved by Councillor Cole and seconded by Councillor Battcock to adopt Agenda 25-9 as presented.

All in Favour  
Motion Carried

**COMMITTEE REPORT:  
FINANCE**

**Report Attached**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council denies the request from Citizens Crime Prevention Association of NL for a Digital Publication as they are not local to Labrador West.

Moved By: Councillor Burke  
Seconded By: Councillor Battcock

All in Favour  
Motion Carried





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**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council agrees to donate the 2011 Polaris Sportsman ATV with tracks to Labrador West Ground Search and Rescue.

Moved By: Councillor Burke  
Seconded By: Councillor Cole

All in Favour  
Motion Carried

The Ground Search and Rescue organization is currently awaiting official approval from government authorities regarding zoning modifications. These changes are essential to facilitate the commencement of construction for their new facility. The proposed building is planned to be situated near the Wabush Legion, a notable landmark in the area. The approval process involves several steps, including review by local planning committees, environmental assessments, and compliance with zoning regulations. Once approved, the organization will proceed with the construction, which aims to enhance their operational capabilities and community service. The new facility is expected to provide improved resources and a dedicated space for training, coordination, and emergency response activities. The project underscores the importance of community safety and the ongoing efforts to strengthen local emergency services.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council agrees to enter into a Purchase and Sale agreement for the land and building located at 4 Third Avenue in the amount of \$5,000,000.00 plus HST.

Moved By: Councillor Burke  
Seconded By: Councillor Cole

All in Favour  
Motion Carried

The current depot utilized by the Town has become inadequate in fulfilling the operational requirements of the department. Recognizing this, the Town has invested in purchasing a new, state-of-the-art facility designed to enhance operational efficiency and services. This modern depot will serve as a significant asset, providing improved infrastructure, increased capacity, and features that support the department's functions.



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The transition to this new building marks a strategic development aimed at supporting the Town's growth and ensuring sustainable, effective management of resources. The new facility is expected to facilitate better coordination, safety, and productivity, benefiting the community by enabling the department to operate more effectively and respond promptly to the needs of residents.

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

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council approve a Home-Based Business at 21 McGregor Lane as presented.

Moved By: Councillor Pynn  
Seconded By: Councillor Burke

All in Favour  
Motion Carried

This is a skate sharpening business that will operate at the Bill Chaplin Arena.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council approve land sale on 82 Snows Drive as presented.

Moved By: Councillor Pynn  
Seconded By: Councillor Battcock

All in Favour  
Motion Carried

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council approve land sale on 202 Scully Drive as presented.

Moved By: Councillor Pynn  
Seconded By: Councillor Cole

All in Favour  
Motion Carried

The Town has all the lots sold on Scully Drive. The properties are in various stages of development.





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

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council adopt the Amended Fence Bylaw as presented.

Moved By: Councillor Pynn  
Seconded By: Councillor Battcock

All in Favour  
Motion Carried

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

The Public Works department completed two water restoration digs and completed eight new fire hydrant replacements and repairs. The Council thanked the Fire Department for their assistance.

The Town is committed to promoting sustainable infrastructure practices by utilizing their asphalt machine to enhance cost-efficiency over the long term.

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

**BE IT RESOLVED** that council agrees to name the Bowater Drive playground "The Jean Kelly Playground."

Moved By: Councillor Cole  
Seconded By: Councillor Burke

All in Favour  
Motion Carried

Council is honored to name the playground after the late Mrs. Jean Kelly, recognizing her as a pioneer of the community and a resolute volunteer who contributed throughout her life. This gesture aims to honor her legacy and inspire future generations to engage actively in community development and service. The name of the playground serves as a lasting tribute to her commitment and the positive impact she had on the community, fostering a sense of pride and unity among residents.



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**BE IT RESOLVED** that council agrees to name the Town side of the JLT “Don O’Leary’s Town side Path” and the Hill side of the JLT “Chess Moyles’ Hill Side Stretch.”

Moved By: Councillor Cole  
Seconded By: Councillor Battcock

All in Favour  
Motion Carried

Mr. Don O’Leary played a significant role in initiating the development of the Jean Lake Trail. His contributions were pivotal in the planning and establishment phases, which helped to promote outdoor recreation and environmental awareness in the region. The trail has since become a popular destination for hikers, nature enthusiasts, and community members, fostering a greater appreciation for local natural resources.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that council agrees to name the trail to the flag as “Don Daigle’s Path.”

Moved By: Councillor Cole  
Seconded By: Councillor Burke

All in Favour  
Motion Carried

Mr. Daigle was a pioneering figure in the development of the Jean Lake trail, demonstrating significant leadership and innovation from the very beginning of the project. His contributions laid the groundwork for the trail.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council agrees to name the JLT Flag Lookout “Cec May’s Flag Lookout.”

Moved By: Councillor Cole  
Seconded By: Councillor Pynn

All in Favour  
Motion Carried





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Mr. Cec May was also a pioneer in the development of the Jean Lake Trail, and the Town is grateful for his contributions to the community.

The Town will have signs made to commemorate the dedications in the coming weeks.

The Town will continue to upgrade the Jean Lake Trail in the coming years. The Town is waiting for government funding to replace the two bridges on the trail.

The brine system for the compressor at the Bill Chaplin Arena is fixed and the ice will be ready on September 26, 2025. The stairs to the Arena from the over flow parking will be completed in October.

The bowling alley upgrades to the pin setters will be completed before the leagues begin. The Town will try to sell the old pin setters.

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

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

The Mayor thanked SMS / Komatsu for their large presence in the annual MADD parade.

**ACCOUNTS**  
**PAYABLE:**

**Report Attached**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town of Wabush approves Accounts Payable Listing from August 16, 2025 to September 11, 2025 in the amount of \$ 837,964.66 with the following abstentions:

39120 Dexter Institute	Councillor Battcock
39100 Gateway	Councillor Razi

Moved By: Councillor Burke  
Seconded By: Councillor Cole

All in Favour  
Motion Carried



## PERMITS:

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

6879	Patio	24 Guy Street
6880	Patio	21 Snow's
6881	Patio	25 Snow's
6882	Excavation	20 Cashin
6883	Patio	46 Baltimore
6884	Election Signs	Wabush
6885	Excavation	19 Second Ave
6886	Patio	17 Squires
6887	Driveway	9 Squires
6888	Sea Cans	8 First Ave
6889	Driveway	39 Snow's

Moved by: Councillor Pynn  
Seconded by: Councillor Cole

All in Favour  
Motion Carried

## NEW BUSINESS:

### **Councillor Cole :**

There is a new air service coming to Labrador West called Air Liaison and the airline will be participating in the Quebec Power Program. This will give residents a choice of air carriers to travel to Western Canada.

Councillor Cole thanked Mayor Barron for 20 years and Councillor Burke for 12 years of community service to the Town.

### **Councillor Burke :**

Councillor Burke thanked all the Councillors for their service and Charlie and Tiffanee for their work over the past years.





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**Councillor Pynn :**

Councillor Pynn thanked the Council for their work over the past 4 years. Councillor Pynn is running in the next Municipal Election and asked the residents to consider her to represent them in the next term.

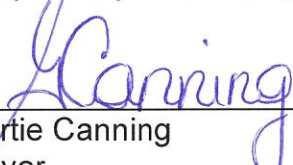
**Mayor Barron:**


Mayor Barron extends his heartfelt thank you to the Council, staff, and management for all their hard work and dedication to the community. He encourages the staff to keep up the magnificent work and to support the upcoming Council.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, meeting was called to adjournment by Councillor Cole at 6:15 p.m. The next meeting will be held on October 16, 2025.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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Gertie Canning  
Mayor

  
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Tiffanee Rideout  
Town Clerk

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