



# LABRADOR CITY

## COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**February 18, 2026  
4:00 pm**

**In Attendance:**

Mayor Jordan Brown  
Councillor Reilly Farrell  
Councillor Julia Anne Manstan  
Councillor Ryan Pike  
Councillor Jonathan Riviere  
Councillor Matthew White

**Staff Present:**

Michelle Newhook, Director of Finance & Administration  
Krista Hedlund, Deputy Clerk  
Craig Purves, Director of Planning & Development  
Taylor Gambin, Director of Recreation & Community Services  
Pete Boland, Superintendent of Public Works

**Regrets:**

Deputy Mayor Kim Hartery  
Jody Murray, CAO  
Mark Brophy, Fire Chief

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1. **Call Meeting to Order**
2. **Adoption and Approval of Agenda**

**Moved By:** Councillor Pike  
**Seconded By:** Councillor Riviere

**Be it resolved** the agenda for the meeting of February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2026 be adopted as presented.

Question called; Mayor Brown, Councillor Farrell, Councillor Manstan, Councillor Pike, Councillor Riviere, and Councillor White all in favor. **Carried**

3. **Conflict of Interest**

N/A

4. **Adoption and Signing of Minutes**

**Moved By:** Councillor White  
**Seconded By:** Councillor Farrell

**Be it resolved** the minutes of the public meeting held January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025 be adopted.

Question called; Mayor Brown, Councillor Farrell, Councillor Manstan, Councillor Pike, Councillor Riviere, and Councillor White all in favor. **Carried**

5. **Business Arising from Minutes**

**Moved By:** Councillor White  
**Seconded By:** Councillor Manstan

**Be it resolved** Council adopt the follow up list from the public meeting held January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

Question called; Mayor Brown, Councillor Farrell, Councillor Manstan, Councillor Pike, Councillor Riviere, and Councillor White all in favor. **Carried**

**6. Finance & Administration**

**6.1 By-Law A-003 Arrears Sales**

**Moved By:** Councillor Manstan

**Seconded By:** Councillor Riviere

**Be it resolved** Council adopt By-Law A-003 Arrears Sales as presented, to establish the Town of Labrador City's legal framework and procedures for conducting tax arrears property sales in accordance with Sections 150-153 of the Towns and Local Service Districts Act, 2023.

Question called; Mayor Brown, Councillor Farrell, Councillor Manstan, Councillor Pike, Councillor Riviere, and Councillor White all in favor. **Carried**

**6.2 Appointment of Assessment Review Commissioner**

**Moved By:** Councillor Manstan

**Seconded By:** Councillor White

**Be it resolved** Council appoint Mr. Dave Pollock as the Assessment Review Commissioner for the Town of Labrador City for the 2026 calendar year.

Question called; Mayor Brown, Councillor Farrell, Councillor Manstan, Councillor Pike, Councillor Riviere, and Councillor White all in favor. **Carried**

**6.3 Appointment of Auditor**

**Moved By:** Councillor Manstan

**Seconded By:** Councillor Riviere

**Be it resolved** Council appoint Pearl R. Lee, CPA, CA as Auditor for the Town of Labrador City 2025 Financial Audit.

Question called; Mayor Brown, Councillor Farrell, Councillor Manstan, Councillor Pike, Councillor Riviere, and Councillor White all in favor. **Carried**

**6.4 2026 Council Meeting Schedule**

**Moved By:** Councillor Manstan

**Seconded By:** Councillor Pike

**Be it resolved** Council adopt the 2026 Council Meeting schedule as presented. Schedule to be posted to the Town's website and social media pages.

Question called; Mayor Brown, Councillor Farrell, Councillor Manstan, Councillor Pike, Councillor Riviere, and Councillor White all in favor. **Carried**

**6.5 Cain's Quest Sponsorship**

**Moved By:** Councillor Manstan

**Seconded By:** Councillor White

**Be it resolved** Council approve a sponsorship for the 2026 Cain's Quest Race as a prime sponsor up to \$29,999, consisting of \$10,000 cash and \$19,999 in-kind for set-up and support during the event.

Question called; Mayor Brown, Councillor Farrell, Councillor Manstan, Councillor Pike, Councillor Riviere, and Councillor White all in favor. **Carried**

**6.6 Accounts Payable & Purchase Orders**

**Moved By:** Councillor Manstan

**Seconded By:** Councillor Farrell

**Be it resolved** Council approve Accounts Payable and Purchase Orders in the amount of \$18,480,080.01.

Question called; Mayor Brown, Councillor Farrell, Councillor Manstan, Councillor Pike, Councillor Riviere, and Councillor White all in favor. **Carried**

**6.7 Donations**

**Moved By:** Councillor Manstan

**Seconded By:** Councillor Farrell

**Be it resolved** Council approve donations in the amount of \$100 to USW, Local 6185, \$100 to Labrador West Dancers Inc., and a \$1,500 Gold sponsorship to the NL Provincial Drama Festival Committee.

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Question called; Mayor Brown, Councillor Farrell, Councillor Manstan, Councillor Pike, Councillor Riviere, and Councillor White all in favor. **Carried**

**7. Recreation & Community Services**

**7.1 2026 Matrix Grant Funds**

**Moved By:** Councillor Pike

**Seconded By:** Councillor Manstan

**Be it resolved** Council approve dispersing \$75,000 in matrix grant funding to the community groups/organizations in which applied and qualified to receive funding.

Question called; Mayor Brown, Councillor Farrell, Councillor Manstan, Councillor Pike, Councillor Riviere, and Councillor White all in favor. **Carried**

**7.2 2026 Travel Funds**

**Moved By:** Councillor Pike

**Seconded By:** Councillor Farrell

**Be it resolved** Council approve dispersing funding up to the amount budgeted when claims are submitted based on guidelines for the Labrador Travel Subsidy Program and the Town of Labrador City in Section IV, D: Travel Support.

Question called; Mayor Brown, Councillor Farrell, Councillor Manstan, Councillor Pike, Councillor Riviere, and Councillor White all in favor. **Carried**

**7.3 2026 Funds for Miscellaneous Programs**

**Moved By:** Councillor Pike

**Seconded By:** Councillor White

**Be it resolved** Council approve dispersing funding up to the amount budgeted to the four community programs – Seniors Rent Subsidy, Ski Program for Schools, Snowbirds Gymnastics Rent Assist, and Accessibility Van Subsidy.

Question called; Mayor Brown, Councillor Farrell, Councillor Manstan, Councillor Pike, Councillor Riviere, and Councillor White all in favor. **Carried**

**8. Municipal Services**

**8.1 TLC-01-26 Supply of Electrical Material**

**Moved By:** Councillor Riviere

**Seconded By:** Councillor Pike

**Be it resolved** Council award tender TLC-01-26 for the Supply of Electrical Material to Gray Bar Canada w/ Addendum in the amount of \$108,518.56 hst inclusive.

Question called; Mayor Brown, Councillor Farrell, Councillor Manstan, Councillor Pike, Councillor Riviere, and Councillor White all in favor. **Carried**

**8.2 Supply of Skatepark Lighting**

**Moved By:** Councillor Riviere

**Seconded By:** Councillor Farrell

**Be it resolved** Council approve the procurement of street light poles included in the unit price electrical materials tender (TLC-01-26) and issue a PO to Gray Bar Canada for the total price of \$21,802.85 hst inclusive for the purchase of Skatepark Lighting.

Question called; Mayor Brown, Councillor Farrell, Councillor Manstan, Councillor Pike, Councillor Riviere, and Councillor White all in favor. **Carried**

**8.3 Asbestos Abatement – 430 Centennial Drive**

**Moved By:** Councillor Riviere

**Seconded By:** Councillor Manstan

**Be it resolved** Council issue a PO to Lab West Construction in the amount of \$22,476.75 inclusive of hst for the purpose of asbestos abatement at 430 Centennial Drive.

Question called; Mayor Brown, Councillor Farrell, Councillor Manstan, Councillor Pike, Councillor Riviere, and Councillor White all in favor. **Carried**

**8.4 Air Monitoring – 430 Centennial Drive**

**Moved By:** Councillor Riviere

**Seconded By:** Councillor Pike

**Be it resolved** Council issue a PO to Pinchin in the amount of \$22,304.25 inclusive of hst for the purpose of air monitoring during the asbestos abatement at 430 Centennial Drive.

Question called; Mayor Brown, Councillor Farrell, Councillor Manstan, Councillor Pike, Councillor Riviere, and Councillor White all in favor. **Carried**

#### **8.5 Limited Call for Bids – Road Sand**

**Moved By:** Councillor Riviere

**Seconded By:** Councillor Pike

**Be it resolved** Council issue a PO to R&B Equipment in the amount of \$67,850.00 inclusive of hst for the purchase of 2,000 tonnes of road sand.

Question called; Mayor Brown, Councillor Farrell, Councillor Manstan, Councillor Pike, Councillor Riviere, and Councillor White all in favor. **Carried**

### **9. Fire & Emergency Services**

#### **9.1 Firefighting Equipment Funding Application**

**Moved By:** Councillor Farrell

**Seconded By:** Councillor Pike

**Be it resolved** Council approve the submission of a funding application form to the provincial government requesting financial support for the purchase of firefighting equipment.

Question called; Mayor Brown, Councillor Farrell, Councillor Manstan, Councillor Pike, Councillor Riviere, and Councillor White all in favor. **Carried**

### **10. Planning & Development**

#### **10.1 Bartlett Drive North**

a) **Moved By:** Councillor White

**Seconded By:** Councillor Pike

**Be it resolved** Council approve acceptance of the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency Contribution Agreement for preliminary subdivision work for the Bartlett Drive North residential subdivision and authorize the Mayor and Town Clerk to execute the agreement on behalf of the Town.

Question called; Mayor Brown, Councillor Farrell, Councillor Manstan, Councillor Pike, Councillor Riviere, and Councillor White all in favor. **Carried**

- b) Moved By:** Councillor White  
**Seconded By:** Councillor Farrell

**Be it resolved** Council approve entering into a professional services agreement with Nova Consultants Inc., to complete the preliminary subdivision design and concept planning work for the Bartlett Drive North residential subdivision, in accordance with the submitted scope of work and fee estimate, in the amount of \$80,235 plus hst.

Question called; Mayor Brown, Councillor Farrell, Councillor Manstan, Councillor Pike, Councillor Riviere, and Councillor White all in favor. **Carried**

**11. Applications for Permits**

N/A

**12. New Business**

N/A

**13. Correspondence Log**

**13.1 Approval to Borrow – Storm Sewer Upgrades**

Correspondence received from the Department of Municipal & Community Affairs dated January 9, 2026 providing approval to borrow \$464,360 for Project No: 17-GI-24-00024 Storm Sewer Upgrades.

**13.2 Approval to Borrow – 2024 Street Reconstruction**

Correspondence received from the Department of Municipal & Community Affairs dated January 9, 2026 providing approval to borrow \$2,091,887 for Project No: 17-MYCW-25-00060 2024 Steet Reconstruction.

**14. Community Recognition & Reminders**

- Congratulations to Alf Parsons who skied a 10 km race at the Masters World Cup in Italy in January; Alf placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the world and was the fastest Canadian in the category.

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- Congratulations to Jailen Spurrell as second runner up in Miss Newfoundland and Labrador; Jailen was representing Labrador City.
- MineX was held last week in Labrador West; well attended and received once again; congratulations on a successful event
- Congratulations to the Labrador West ANC on hosting their first even Black History month event this past Sunday; it was a great event attended by many community members
- The Labrador West Status of Women in hosting the annual Women's Day dinner in March, ticket on sale now
- Cain's Quest 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary race kicks off this week with fan night taking place Friday, Feb 20 at the Labrador City Arena and the race beginning Sunday, Feb 22 from White Wolf Snowmobile Club
- 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Winer Carnival will be held March 6-15; calendar of events will be published online an booklets can be picked up at the Labrador City Arena and the MARC in Wabush; events for everyone Be sure to get out and enjoy them.

### 15. **Date of Next Meeting & Adjournment**

The next Public Committee of the Whole meeting will be held Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at 4 pm and the Public Council Meeting Wednesday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 pm by Councillor Riviere.

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Michelle Newhook, Town Clerk

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Jordan Brown, Mayor