Minutes of the regular meeting of council held Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025 No. 1492 held in the Council Chambers at 34 Reid's Lane, Deer Lake, NL.

In attendance:	Mayor Michael Goosney Deputy Mayor Kerry Jones Councillor David Hynes Councillor Brett Langdon Councillor Darren Fitzgerald Councillor Gordon Hancock
Absent:	Councillor Amanda Freake
Also in attendance:	Town Manager, Jason Young Administrative Assistant, Christa Jones Director of Public Works, David Thomas Director of Recreation Community Services, Glynn Wiseman

Regular meeting of council called to order at 7:48 pm by Mayor Michael Goosney.

#### 2025-0526-01, Agenda Meeting 1492

Councillor Gordon Hancock / Councillor Brett Langdon Resolved to accept the agenda of regular meeting of council, 1492 May 26, 2025.

In Favor:	Mayor Michael Goosney
	Deputy Mayor Kerry Jones
	Councillor David Hynes
	Councillor Brett Langdon
	Councillor Darren Fitzgerald
	Councillor Gordon Hancock

In favor 6; opposed 0. Carried

## <u>2025-0526-02, Minutes No. 1491</u> Deputy Mayor Kerry Jones/ Councillor Darren Fitzgerald Resolved to accept the minutes of regular meeting of council, 1491 May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

In Favor:

Mayor Michael Goosney Deputy Mayor Kerry Jones Councillor David Hynes Councillor Brett Langdon Councillor Darren Fitzgerald Councillor Gordon Hancock

In favor 6; opposed 0. Carried

## 2025-0526-03, Special Meeting Minutes May 15

Councillor Darren Fitzgerald / Councillor Brett Langdon Resolved to accept the minutes of special meeting of council, held on May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

In Favor: Mayor Michael Goosney Deputy Mayor Kerry Jones Councillor David Hynes Councillor Brett Langdon Councillor Darren Fitzgerald Councillor Gordon Hancock

In favor 6; opposed 0. Carried

<u>Correspondence</u>

Meeting No. 1492

Date: May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025

No	NAME	REGARDING	ACTION
1	Gov NL – Dept of Municipal Affairs and Community Engagement	Ministers Introduction	FYI

(a) Finance
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2025-0526-04, Finance

Councillor Gordon Hancock / Councillor Brett Langdon Resolved that the recommendations for Finance Report for May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 be adopted as presented.

In Favor:

Mayor Michael Goosney Deputy Mayor Kerry Jones Councillor David Hynes Councillor Brett Langdon Councillor Darren Fitzgerald Councillor Gordon Hancock

In favor 6; opposed 0. Carried

# Finance Committee Agenda May 22<sup>th</sup>, 2025

In Attendance

Mayor Mike Goosney Councillor Gordon Hancock (Phone) Jason Young Lori Humphrey

No.	Vendor	Amount	Notes	Action
1	Urban	\$26,450.00	Stair in Hodder –Materials	Recommend for
	Flooring		on site	Payment
2	CBCL	\$2,809.14	Feasibility work for the	Recommend for
			Lagoon.	Payment

#### (b) Accounts Payable

<u>2025-0526-05, Accounts Payable Report</u> Councillor Gordon Hancock / Councillor Brett Langdon Resolved to accept the Accounts Payable Report for May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

In Favor:

Mayor Michael Goosney Deputy Mayor Kerry Jones Councillor David Hynes Councillor Brett Langdon Councillor Darren Fitzgerald Councillor Gordon Hancock

In favor 6; opposed 0. Carried

#### **Town of Deer Lake**

**Regular Accounts Payable Report** 

#### Date: May 14, 2025

No.	Name of Supplier	Amount Owing	Notes
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1	Air Liquide	\$419.34	Cylinder rental & acetylene
2	Atlantic Industries	\$2,108.16	Culvert
3	B & S Trucking	\$4,604.46	Dumpster rentals & Class A & B Stock
4	Brenntag	\$6,272.26	Chlorine
5	Byron's Shoe & Tarp	\$545.85	Gloves, glasses, straps, bolts, washers etc
6	Bureau Veritas	\$439.30	Compressed breathing air
7	Canadian Red Cross	\$164.00	Training
8	Cansel	\$34.50	Data Plan
9	Central Cashier's Office	\$159.63	Registration of municipal plan
10	Central Office Equipment	\$1,092.20	Service agreement
11	Chandler	\$1,167.29	Blade kit, dust mops, supplies etc
12	Crane Supply	\$8,312.63	Supplies for splash pad and stadium
13	Cal Legrow	\$427.15	Insurance
14	Canoe	\$1,625.25	Supplies for different departments
15	Dan Spence Refrigeration	\$410.41	Capacitors for lift stations
16	Day & Ross	\$948.03	Shipping chlorine
17	Deer Lake Foodland	\$304.37	Supplies
18	Deer Lake Home Hardware	\$2,834.81	Cold patch, totes, garbage cans, paint etc.
19	Deer Lake Truck & Tire	\$1,335.37	MVI Unit 109 & tire
20	Eastchem	\$1,337.07	Chlorine for splash pad
21	Fusion Elevator	\$621.50	Fix wheelchair lift
22	Graybar	\$1,476.90	Duct heater and fuses
23	Greater Corner Brook of Trades	\$431.25	Membership
24	Harvey & Company	\$78.88	Seal, gasket & Oil filter
25	HiTech Communication	\$1,361.23	Monthly AVL's

26	J.N Automotive	\$1,115.57	Rags, mud flap, cleaning supplies etc
27	K.C Reid	\$1,270.42	Supplies for different departments
28	Kerr	\$5,168.00	Belts, fittings, pump oil etc
29	Mcloughlan Supplies	\$2,325.41	Locknut, breaker locks, wire, battery packs
30	Modern Pest Control	\$194.35	Monthly Inspections
31	Municipalities Newfoundland	\$350.00	MNL Conference
32	NLCSA	\$362.25	Training
33	Pitney Bowes	\$719.81	Lease agreement
34	Pizza Delight	\$109.33	Health & wellness
35	Premium Enterprises	\$46.68	Propane
36	Peterbilt	\$313.52	Oil & fuel filter
37	Rudy's Transportation	\$20.00	Shipping
38	Shears Building Supplies	\$1,969.04	Battery, screws, lumber, blades etc.
39	Simmons Tire	\$500.65	Tire
40	St. John Ambulance	\$792.00	Training
41	Superior Propane	\$1,368.12	Propane and rentals
42	Traction	\$439.74	Fuel filters
43	Thomas Coffey	\$967.14	Fix ladder truck
44	Western Lock	\$1,161.50	Fix door and vehicle lift inspection
45	Western Petroleum	\$1,003.27	Furnace Oil
46	Western Signs	\$1,198.19	Various signs and decals
47	Western Steel Works	\$137.70	Pipe
48	Williams' Building Supplies	\$467.84	Lumber, concrete screws, drill bits etc
49	Woodward Motors	\$57.30	Oil Change
50	Western Regional Waste Management	21.239.64	April Waste

\$60,569.67

## (c) Planning Community Development and Corporate Services

# 2025-0526-06, Planning Community Development and Corporate Services

Councillor Brett Langdon/ Deputy Mayor Kerry Jones

Resolved that the minutes/recommendations for The Town of Deer Lake Planning Community Development and Corporate Services Committee for May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025 excluding item #17, be adopted as presented.

Mayor Michael Goosney
Deputy Mayor Kerry Jones
Councillor David Hynes
Councillor Brett Langdon
Councillor Darren Fitzgerald
Councillor Gordon Hancock

In favor 6; opposed 0. Carried

#### <u>2025-0526-07, Planning Community Development and Corporate Services</u> Councillor Brett Langdon/ Deputy Mayor Kerry Jones Resolved that the minutes/recommendations for The Town of Deer Lake Planning Community Development and Corporate Services Committee for May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025 for item #17 only, be adopted as presented.

In Favor:	Mayor Michael Goosney
	Deputy Mayor Kerry Jones
	Councillor Brett Langdon

Opposed:

Councillor David Hynes Councillor Darren Fitzgerald Councillor Gordon Hancock

In favor 3; opposed 3. Defeated



# **Planning Community Development and Corporate Services**

# Minutes May 22, 2025

<u>In attendance:</u> Deputy Mayor Kerry Jones

David Thomas, Public Works Director

Councillor Darren Fitzgerald Assistant Christa Jones, Administrative

		<u>Construction</u>			<u>Construction</u>
Jan 1, 2025 - current	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Value</u>	Jan 1, 2025 - current	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Value</u>
<u>Residential</u>			<u>Commercial</u>		
new dwelling	1	\$200,000.00	new building	2	\$13,307,000.00
renovations/improvements	20	\$251,700.00	renovations/improvements	2	\$95,000.00
accessory building	5	\$91,000.00	accessory building	1	\$600,000.00
extension	0	\$0.00	extension	0	\$0.00
change of use	0	\$0.00	change of use	0	\$0.00
deck/patio/ramp	12	\$89,600.00	land development	1	\$0.00
fencing	8	\$22,340.00	sign	1	\$38,000.00
pool / hot tub	0	\$0.00	temporary vendor permit	0	\$0.00
retaining wall	0	\$0.00			
subdivision	1	\$0.00			
Residential Total:	45	\$599,140.00	Commercial Total:	9	\$14,095,500.00

Total Permits issued 2025 **54 \$14,694,640.00** 

Per	mits issued				
#	Name	Addr	ess	Description	Permit
					#
1	Lewis Forsey	12	WIGHT'S LANE	Front Bridge	4013
2	Jade Holdings	14	SUNDARA WEST	shed 10x8	4014
3			BENNETT'S		
3	Pentecost Church	45	AVENUE	Patio	4015
4	Spracklin, Jason &				
4	Shawna	2	BOULOS PLACE	Installing back fence	4016
5	Barnes, Carrol Boyd &				
J	Maxine	24	THIRD AVENUE	Installing fence on right side	4017

6	Colin Randell	9	CHAULK'S LANE	Replace Fence	4018
7			ELIZABETH		
/	Stephen Sheppard	24	AVENUE	Garage 31x26	4019
8			NORTH MAIN		
0	Wallace Field	121	STREET	Siding	4020
9	Farnell, Byron & Pauline	17	AIRPORT AVENUE	Replace door in garage	4021
10	Brown-Dyson	7	CANAL ROAD	Fence	4022
11	A.J. Power Financial	8	Pennell's Lane	Ramp	4025
12	David Parsons	107	Goose Arm Road	Windows	4026
13	Christa Jones	15	Second Avenue	Basement Window	4027
14				Garage siding and metal	
14	Harvey Woodland	2A	Lush's Lane	roof	4028
15	Mary Slade-Young	25	Middle Road	Shed	4030
16	David Baker	30A	Fifth Avenue	Siding, Windows & Shingles	4031

Res	Residential Permit Applications						
#	Name	Address		Description	Action		
17	RHS Investment's	3	Airport Ave	New 6-unit apartment. Council approved use discretion and advertise at last council meeting. Advertised, response due back by May 13 at noon. Recommend to use council discretion and approve application, council meeting April 28. 2 response letters need to be reviewed and council give approval or deny permit	Recommend council to use the powers of discretion for approval.		
18	Cynthia Wall	4	Maple Street	Porch Addition (to be in line with neighboring property)	Recommend to use council discretion and approve to advertise for a variance.		

Nev	New Business Applications						
#	Name	Address	Description	Action			
19	DL Contracting (Shannon Murrin)	22 Elizabeth Ave	Snow removal, digging & trenching	Recommend to use discretionary use to advertise for home-based business.			

## (d) Public Works

<u>2025-0526-08, Public Works</u>

Deputy Mayor Kerry Jones/Councillor Brett Langdon Resolved that the minutes/recommendations for The Town of Deer Lake Public Works Committee for May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 be adopted as presented.

In Favor:

Mayor Michael Goosney Deputy Mayor Kerry Jones Councillor David Hynes Councillor Brett Langdon Councillor Darren Fitzgerald Councillor Gordon Hancock

In favor 6; opposed 0. Carried

# **Public Works Meeting**

May 22, 2025 at 1:00 pm

Attendance Deputy Mayor Kerry Jones Councillor Darren Fitzgerald Director of Public Works David Thomas Public Works Superintendent Scott Elms

Meeting Agenda

No Description Notes	

1	Work update	FYI Class A on road cuts, patching, ditching, Spring Clean-up, sewer plug
2	Spring Clean up	FYI 475 drop offs that were registered. During curbside pickup we encourage residents to continue to drop off if they are able to help speed up spring clean up
3	Bennett Ave	New entrance for parking lot in Schwartz Park needs to be moved. We recommend that it be included in the tender for the parking

## (e) Arts, Recreation and Culture

## 2025-0526-09, Arts, Recreation and Culture

Councillor Darren Fitzgerald / Councillor Brett Langdon

Resolved that the minutes/recommendations for The Town of Deer Lake Arts, Recreation and Culture Committee for May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025 be adopted as presented.

In Favor:	Mayor Michael Goosney Councillor David Hynes Councillor Brett Langdon Councillor Darren Fitzgerald Councillor Gordon Hancock
	In favor 6; opposed 0. Carried
Opposed:	Deputy Mayor Kerry Jones
	In favor 5; opposed 1. Carried

# Department of Arts, Recreation and Culture Minutes May 21, 2025

In Attendance: Councillor – Darren Fitzgerald Councillor – David Hynes Director of Recreation Community Services - Glynn Wiseman

#	Item/Description	Discussion/Notes	Decision

1	Schwartz Park phase one construction.	The Recreation Committee recommends proceeding with the construction of the new parking lot, dog park, and other facilities listed in the phase one drawings that have been sent to all counselors.	Recommended Approval
2	Splash pad update	ABC Recreation is currently installing the splash pad equipment and the new concrete pad. The work is progressing on schedule, and we hope to have the pad opened by Canada Day.	For Council information
3	Summer student workers for the Community Improvements program and the Activity Camp program	The application deadline for all summer positions is May 22nd. Interviews and hiring will occur soon after.	For Council information
4	Divider Fencing for Pickleball	The recreation department is looking into pricing for purchasing pickleball court divider fencing, which is expected to cost around \$1,700. This request for fencing comes from enthusiastic community pickleball players who have encountered issues with balls ending up in other players' courts.	Recommended Approval
5	Gymnasium rental pricing	The recreation committee has reviewed the rental pricing for the gymnasium in the new complex. The committee has reached a consensus to set the rental rate at \$35 per hour, ensuring that our prices remain comparable to those of local school gymnasiums.	Recommended Approval
6	Rental space in the arena	The Recreation Committee recommends renting the space in the upper portion of the arena, which was originally designed as a canteen, to a company interested in operating a pro shop that includes skate sharpening services for the arena. The committee suggests accepting requests for proposals (RFPs) for this type of business in that space.	Recommended Approval

Meeting adjourned 7:00 pm

# (f) 2024 Tax Receivable

<u>2025-0526-010, 2024 Tax Receivable</u>

Deputy Mayor Kerry Jones/Councillor Darren Fitzgerald Resolved that the 2024 Tax Receivable report for The Town of Deer Lake be adopted as presented.

In Favor:

Mayor Michael Goosney Deputy Mayor Kerry Jones Councillor David Hynes Councillor Brett Langdon Councillor Darren Fitzgerald Councillor Gordon Hancock

In favor 6; opposed 0. Carried

# The Municipality of Tax Receivable Summary December 31, 2024

		Total Receivable		Accounts With Payment Plan*	
		Tax Paye rs #	Amount \$	Tax Payers #	Amount \$
Taxes Receivable					
Α	Owed for current tax year (2024)	375	\$ 395,365.97	221	\$ 281,441.2
В	Owed for preceding tax year (2023)	62	\$ 68,527.38	40	\$ 38,859.3
С	Owed for two years preceding (2022)	23	\$ 27,445.55	12	\$ 16,279.74
D	Owed for three years preceding (2021)	15	\$ 19,167.87	7	\$ 8,762.12
Е	Owed for four years preceding (2020)	11	\$ 11,796.63	3	\$ 3,831.68
F	Owed for over four years (2019 and older)	13	\$ 10,377.32	4	\$ 5,569.12
	tal Taxes Receivable (Dec 31) + B + C + D + E + F)	499	\$ 532,680.72	287	\$ 354,743.21

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts for Taxes	\$100,328.76	
Receivable		

\* If there are town residents on a Formal Tax Payment Plan, please ensure the "Accounts with Payment Plan" Section is completed.

# \*\$220,000 grant in lieu owed in 2024, without this the summary would be \$312,680.72, in line with previous years. There is a plan in place now to pay this

#### (f) 2024 Tax Recovery Plan

<u>2025-0526-11, 2024 Tax Recovery Plan</u> Deputy Mayor Kerry Jones/Councillor Brett Langdon Resolved that the 2024 Tax Recovery Plan for The Town of Deer Lake be adopted as presented.

In Favor:

Mayor Michael Goosney Deputy Mayor Kerry Jones Councillor David Hynes Councillor Brett Langdon Councillor Darren Fitzgerald Councillor Gordon Hancock

In favor 6; opposed 0. Carried

# **MUNICIPALITY OF DEER LAKE**

#### Tax Recovery Plan Dated December 31, 2024

#### **Tax Recovery Actions and Plans for the Municipal Fiscal Year 2025**

Date Created: May 5, 2025

Date Amended: . 20

# A. Status of the Objectives of the Tax Recovery Plan dated December 31, 2023:

The Town was able to recover 87.75% of the outstanding and current taxes receivable for the year ended December 31, 2024. The objective stated for the Tax Recovery Plan dated December 31, 2023 was 90%.

Summary of reasons for **meeting / not meeting** the 2023 objective include:

We need an overview what worked:

- 1. The Actions that worked included:
  - A. More flexible payment options
- 2. The actions that we need to look at changing include:
  - A. Vacant Land gone for title searches by lawyers are taking years to complete, we are put to bottom of list behind searches for restate sales
  - B. Water Shut offs need to be followed through

# B. The Objectives of the Tax Recovery Plan Dated December 31, 2024

The Town's objective is to recover 90% of all of the outstanding tax receivable by December 31, 2025.

In order to ensure the availability of sufficient municipal services, it is important that residents and businesses make their payments to Council by March 31, 2025, or otherwise be placed on the Town's arrears listing and held subject to the Town's arrears recovery actions as presented in this report.

Under the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador's Community Sustainability Partnership (CSP), the Town must implement and maintain a Tax Recovery Plan and Tax Receivable Summary by establishing objectives, timelines and procedures to recover unpaid taxes from the current and previous years.

The Town is subject to these accountability measures in order to receive future Municipal Operating Grant (MOG) funding and a share of Provincial Gas Tax Revenue Sharing funding.

The Town must also present municipal audited annual financial statements in compliance with Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB) standards and an approved annual budget to receive municipal operating grants.

Moreover, the Town will take all reasonable actions towards the recovery of taxes in arrears while ensuring the tax recovery process being followed is fair and reasonable to the tax payer and the Town, and within the authority provided under the *Municipalities Act, 1999*.

#### Tax Year Planning Schedule

•	Tax Notices are mailed out	By the end of January 2025;
•	Taxes are due on	March 31, 2025;
•	Taxes are considered unpaid after	April 1, 2025; and,
•	Taxes are considered in arrears after	April 1, 2025.

# 2025-0526-12 Adjournment

Deputy Mayor Kerry Jones

Resolved that since there is no further business that the meeting adjourns at 8:21 pm. Next Meeting scheduled for Monday, June  $16^{th}$ , 2025.

In Favor:

Mayor Michael Goosney Deputy Mayor Kerry Jones Councillor David Hynes Councillor Brett Langdon Councillor Darren Fitzgerald Councillor Gordon Hancock

In favor 6; opposed 0. Carried

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Mayor Michael Goosney

Christa Jones

Administrative Assistant, Christa Jones