The Town of Gambo

A Swearing-In Ceremony was held on Monday, October 6th, 2025, for the newly acclaimed Council at the Gambo Town Hall, Gambo, NL.

Minutes of the Swearing-In Ceremony of the Town Council of the Town of Gambo held on October 6th, 2025, at the Gambo Town Hall, Gambo, NL.

Members in Attendance:

Councillor Morgan Cooze Councillor Charlene Kean Councillor Peter Lush Councillor Lori Moss Councillor Minnie Osmond Town Clerk Lorne Greene

Visiting Delegates:

Chris Brown Darren Dyke Roger Kean

Town Clerk Lorne Greene called the meeting to order at 6:56pm.

Lorne, Town Clerk advised that on September 10th, 2025, Nomination Day was held with five candidates acclaimed to Council. It was noted that at our first Regular Meeting, the date for the by-election will have to be determined to fill the two remaining vacant seats.

The five newly acclaimed Councillors swore their Oath of Office in alphabetical order as outlined in the Election Report.

The next item on the agenda was the election of the Mayor. Councillor Kean nominated Councillor Moss for the position of mayor but was unable to secure a seconder for the nomination.

After calling for a seconder three times, it was noted that the nomination could not proceed without a seconder.

Lorne, Town Clerk, called for further nominations for the position of Mayor. Councillor Minnie Osmond nominated Councillor Peter Lush and Councillor Morgan Cooze seconded the nomination.

A further nomination was called for the position of Mayor with no further nominations received. Councillor Peter Lush was declared Mayor.

The position of Deputy Mayor was the next agenda item. Lorne, Town Clerk called for nominations for the position of Deputy Mayor with Councillor Kean nominating Councillor Moss and Councillor Osmond seconding the proposed nomination. There was a further call for nominations for the position with no further nominations received.

Councillor Moss was declared the Deputy Mayor.

Mayor Peter Lush and Deputy Mayor Lori Moss both swore the Oath of Office for the new positions.

Past Mayor Darren Dyke officially presented Mayor Lush with the Chain of Office. Mayor Lush thanked past Mayor Dyke for his years of service to the Town of Gambo.

All the elections forms were completed by the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors including the MEF-19A and MEF-19B. Further, the Disclosure Statements and Oath of Confidentiality were completed.

A discussion was held regarding the email addresses and I-Pads for Council.

There was a roundtable discussion on the schedule for the Regular Meetings. Mayor Lush suggested moving the Regular Meetings to Tuesday from Monday to lessen the impact of public holidays on the meeting schedule. He advised that the committee structure will be determined at the next Regular Meeting which has been scheduled for Tuesday, October 14th, 2025, at 6:30pm. It was noted at this meeting that the Finance, Human Resources, Public Works, Age-Friendly Committees would be determined. Lorne, Town Clerk, was advised to obtain the required documentation from the Venture Credit Union to update the signing officers.

Mayor Lush thanked Council for the confidence that they have placed in him. He addressed the importance of keeping confidential the required items, especially discussions of privileged meetings. He noted that he would like a financial review completed so that the town can be informed of its financial position.

He concluded by indicating that a successful Council is when everyone works together and that he would like a good line of communication to our residents. He thanked everyone for running for Council.

Lorne, Town Clerk, completed the Code of Conduct Training with Council.

Meeting adjourned at 8:27pm.