

The Town of Gambo

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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Gambo held on October 14th, 2025, at the Gambo Town Hall, Gambo, NL.

Members in Attendance:

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

Visiting Delegates:

Tracy Penney
Chris Brown

Mayor Lush called the meeting to order at 6:26pm. He welcomed the visiting delegation.

Mayor Lush asked if there were any additions to the agenda.

Resolution: 2025-10-14-257 (L. Moss & C. Kean) Be it resolved to adopt the agenda of the Regular Meeting of Council of October 14th, 2025, as presented.

In Favor: Mayor P. Lush, Deputy Mayor L. Moss
Councillors M. Cooze, C. Kean, M. Osmond

Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: 0

Resolution Carried

Resolution: 2025-10-14-258 (L. Moss & M. Osmond) Be it resolved to adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of September 29th, 2025, as presented.

In Favor: Mayor P. Lush, Deputy Mayor L. Moss
Councillors M. Cooze, C. Kean, M. Osmond

Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: 0

Resolution Carried

Business Arising from the Minutes:

There was no business arising from the minutes.

Resolution: 2025-10-14-259 (L. Moss & C. Kean) Be it resolved to adopt the minutes of the Swearing-In Ceremony of Council of October 6th, 2025, as presented.

In Favor: Mayor P. Lush, Deputy Mayor L. Moss
Councillors M. Cooze, C. Kean, M. Osmond

Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: 0

Resolution Carried

Business Arising from the Minutes:

There was no business arising from the minutes.

New Business:

Item: 2025 MNL Convention

Mayor Lush advised that he had reviewed the agenda for the upcoming MNL Convention to be held in Corner Brook in November. He noted that there was not anything on the agenda that warranted him to attend so; therefore, he would not be attending. He asked if there was any Councillor that would be interested in attending and there was no interest expressed.

Item: Bank-Signing Officers - Venture Credit Union

Resolution: 2025-10-14-260 (C. Kean & M. Cooze) to update the signing officers at the Venture Credit to the following:

1. Peter Lush, Mayor
2. Lori Moss, Deputy Mayor
3. Lorne Greene, Town Clerk
4. Cindy Lambert, Financial Officer

In Favor: Mayor P. Lush, Deputy Mayor L. Moss
Councillors M. Cooze, C. Kean, M. Osmond

Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: 0

Motion Carried

Item: 2025 Municipal By-Election

Resolution: 2025-10-14-261 (M. Cooze & L. Moss) Be it resolved to schedule one Nomination Day for the 2025 Municipal By-Election on November 5th, 2025, from 8:00am to 8:00pm.

In Favor: Mayor P. Lush, Deputy Mayor L. Moss
Councillor M. Cooze, C. Kean, M. Osmond

Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: 0

Resolution Carried

Resolution: 2025-10-14-262 (M. Cooze & M. Osmond) Be it resolved to schedule the 2025 Municipal By-Election on November 26th, 2025.

In Favor: Mayor P. Lush, Deputy Mayor L. Moss
Councillor M. Cooze, C. Kean, M. Osmond

Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: 0

Resolution Carried

Resolution: 2025-10-14-263 (C. Kean & M. Osmond) Be it resolved to appoint Receptionist Jeanne Pritchett as the Alternative Returning Officer for the 2025 Municipal By-Election.

In Favor: Mayor P. Lush, Deputy Mayor L. Moss
Councillor M. Cooze, C. Kean, M. Osmond

Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: 0

Resolution Carried

Resolution: 2025-10-14-264 (L. Moss & M. Cooze) Be it resolved to not schedule an Advance Poll for the 2025 Municipal By-Election.

In Favor: Mayor P. Lush, Deputy Mayor L. Moss

Councillor M. Cooze, C. Kean, M. Osmond

Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: 0

Resolution Carried

Item: RCMP

Mayor Lush advised that he had asked Lorne, Town Clerk, to schedule a meeting with the RCMP to discuss matters within town. It was decided to ask the RCMP if October 22nd would work for the meeting and if that date didn't; then to ask for a couple of other dates that would work and advise Council.

Item: Approval to Enter into Contract - Consultant Services - Smith's Road

Resolution: 2025-10-14-265 (L. Moss & M. Osmond) Be it resolved to sign the Standard Form of Agreement between Client and Prime Consultant with Englobe Corp. in the amount of \$28,462.74 (HST included) with Project No. 17-MCW-26-00003 for consultant services for street improvements on Smith's Road.

In Favor: Mayor P. Lush, Deputy Mayor L. Moss

Councillors M. Cooze, C. Kean, M. Osmond

Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: 0

Resolution Carried

Item: Committee Structure

Mayor Lush addressed the configuration of the committees by indicating that there would be three members of Council on a committee but currently, we are short of two councillors until the By-Election. He said that experience is needed at the Committee level at this time as some big decisions have to be made so the more experienced councillors will be serving on the Finance, Public Works and Human Resources Committees initially. He further indicated that the committees will be reviewed and revised as we move along.

The following is the proposed Committee Structure:

Public Works Committee - Chairperson, Councillor Morgan Cooze, Members, Deputy Mayor Lori Moss and Mayor Peter Lush.

Finance Committee - Chairperson, Deputy Mayor Moss, Members, Councillor Cooze and Mayor Peter Lush.

Human Resources Committee - Chairperson, Deputy Mayor Lori Moss, Members, Councillor Cooze and Mayor Peter Lush.

Occupational Health and Safety Committee - Chairperson, Councillor Charlene Kean and Member, Mayor Peter Lush. It was noted that we are currently non-compliant with legislation.

Emergency Planning Committee - Chairperson, Minnie Osmond and Members, Councillor Charlene Kean and Mayor Peter Lush. The importance of having an Emergency Preparedness Plan was discussed in readiness for an emergency in town.

Regulations Committee - Chairperson, Councillor Charlene Kean and Member, Mayor Peter Lush.
Age-Friendly Committee - Chairperson, Councillor Minnie Osmond.

Liaison Committees:

Recreation Committee - Employee, Amy Tiller, Recreation Director/Economic Development Officer, will provide a monthly report.

Fire Department - Past Mayor and Fire Department Member, Darren Dyke, will provide a quarterly report.

SEDCOR - Councillor Minnie Osmond will provide a report after each meeting.

Gambo Public Library - Deputy Mayor Lori Moss is a Board Member and will provide an update after each meeting.

Sensory Inclusion Trail - A Council liaison will be appointed once we have a full complement of Council.

Resolution: 2025-10-14-266 (M. Cooze & L. Moss) Be it resolved to adopt the committee structure as presented.

Mayor Peter Lush, Deputy Mayor Lori Moss

Councillors M. Cooze, C. Kean, M. Osmond

Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: 0

Resolution Carried

Concerns:

Deputy Mayor Moss inquired about the status of the Boil Order. Lorne, Town Clerk, advised that the issue is with the pumps and that a technician is scheduled to be on-site later in the week to assess this issue. It was discussed to provide an update to the residents.

Mayor Lush advised Council that a Councillor can not give direction to employees but have a right to ask questions and get answers.

Mayor Lush requested an update on the equipment.

Lorne, Town Clerk, advised that the grader is in Gander with issues with the transmission. It was noted that a replacement transmission could be sourced. Lorne was advised to get a cost on this replacement.

It was noted that the Plow Truck is currently in Gander having a hose replaced.

It was suggested to have Toromont Cat perform maintenance on the loader before the winter season.

Councillor Cooze inquired as to if a permit has been issued to construct a road off Park Road. It was noted that no permit has been issued.

Councillor Kean advised of the issues with the property next to her residence. It was discussed to refer this matter to the Public Works Committee.

Mayor Lush spoke about conflict of interest relating to Council matters. He advised that he was in conflict with the sale of the Smallwood Interpretation Centre and that Lori, Deputy Mayor, would have to sign any document relating to the sale.

Mayor Lush spoke regarding closed meetings of Council and that a closed meeting would be scheduled a half-hour before the start of Regular meetings.

Resolution: 2025-10-14-267 (L. Moss & C. Kean) Be it resolved to move into a closed meeting at 7:09pm.

In Favor: Mayor P. Lush, Deputy Mayor L. Moss

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Councillors, M. Cooze, C. Kean, M. Osmond

Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: 0

Resolution Carried

Resolution: 2025-10-14-268 (C. Kean & M. Osmond) Be it resolved to move back into a Regular Meeting at 7:20pm.

In Favor: Mayor P. Lush, Deputy Mayor L. Moss

Councillors, M. Cooze, C. Kean, M. Osmond

Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: 0

Resolution Carried

Resolution: 2025-10-14-269 (M. Cooze & L. Moss) Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at 7:20pm.

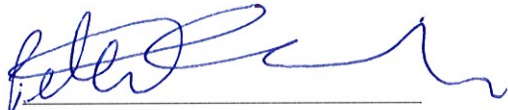
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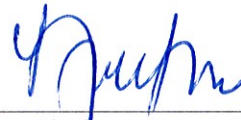
Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: 0

Resolution Carried



Mayor



Town Clerk