

The Town of Gambo

A Special Meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Gambo was held on May 6th, 2026, at the Gambo Town Hall, Gambo, NL.

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Gambo held on May 6th, 2026, at the Gambo Town Hall, Gambo, NL.

Members in Attendance

Mayor Peter Lush
Deputy Mayor Lori Moss
Councillor Morgan Cooze
Councillor Charlene Kean
Councillor Darryl Taylor
Councillor Tracy Penney
Councillor Minnie Osmond
Town Manager Stephen Stockley
Town Clerk Lorne Greene

Visiting Delegates

Ryan Hicks
Justine Ackerman
Frank Ward
Daniel Moore

Mayor Lush called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm and extended a welcome to all in attendance at the meeting.

Resolution: 2026-05-06-114 (C. Kean & L. Moss) Be it resolved to adopt the agenda of the Special Meeting of Council of May 6th, 2026, as presented.

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

Councillors M. Cooze, C. Kean, M. Osmond, T. Penney, D. Taylor

Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: 0

Resolution Carried

New Business:

Item: Domestic Sawmill Application - 601 J.R. Smallwood Blvd.

Mayor Lush asked the Town Manager, Stephen, to provide the background information on the Domestic Sawmill Application for 601 J.R. Smallwood Blvd. Councillor Taylor mentioned that some of the conditions have been complied with by the applicant.

Resolution: 2026-05-06-115 (M. Cooze & D. Taylor) Be it resolved that the permit application for a Domestic Sawmill to be located at 601 J.R. Smallwood Blvd, Gambo, NL be approved based on the outlined conditions of approval.

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

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

Opposed: Councillor T. Penney

Conflict of Interest: 0

Resolution Carried

Item: Lease and Seasonal Operation of the David Smallwood Park

It was noted a Request for Proposals had been issued for the lease and seasonal operation of the David Smallwood Park commencing May 1st, 2026, until September 30th, 2026. A clause was included in the RFP to extend the Agreement for the operating seasons of 2027 and 2028 with the same terms and conditions.

Resolution: 2026-05-06-116 (D. Taylor & L. Moss) Be it resolved that the Town Council of the Town of Gambo approves the lease of the David Smallwood Park to Jessica Elms based on the conditions outlined in the David Smallwood Park Lease Agreement.

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

Councillors C. Kean, M. Osmond, T. Penney, D. Taylor

Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: Councillor Morgan Cooze - Employee of David Smallwood Park. Councillor Cooze vacated his seat at the Council table at 6:44 pm and moved to the gallery returning at 6:45 pm.

Resolution Carried

Item: Heavy Equipment/Water and Sewer Operator Position

Stephen, Town Manager, advised that we previously advertised for a mechanic/operator, but it was hard to fill the position based on salary restrictions. He indicated that a decision to hire a Heavy Equipment Operator/Water and Sewer Maintenance position had been incorporated in the 2026 Budget. It was noted that the position has been advertised internally as per the Collective Agreement with a closing date of May 8th, 2026, and would be posted externally on May 11th, 2026, if there were no internal applicants.

Resolution: 2026-05-06-117 (M. Cooze & M. Osmond) Be it resolved to proceed with the hiring of the position of Water and Sewer Maintenance/Heavy Equipment Operator.

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

Councillors M. Cooze, C. Kean, M. Osmond, T. Penney, D. Taylor

Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: 0

Resolution Carried

Item: Utility Worker Position

Mayor Lush advised that there are at least sixty items on the list to be completed this spring. He noted that we recently received a FireSmart Grant and would utilize \$10,000.00 from that grant and \$15,000.00 from funds not utilized for the Heavy Equipment Operator Position. It is suggested to hire two utility worker positions for a period of fourteen weeks each and the positions would be dedicated to brush cutting and the trails.

Resolution: 2026-05-06-118 (T. Penney & M. Cooze) Be it resolved to proceed with the hiring of two temporary fulltime Utility/Brush Cutters for a period of fourteen weeks for each position.

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

Councillors M. Cooze, C. Kean, M. Osmond, T. Penney, D. Taylor

Opposed: 0

Conflict of Interest: 0

Resolution Carried

Mayor Lush advised of the scheduling conflict for the week of May 13th, 2026, and asked if we could move the Committee Meetings from Wednesday to Thursday. It was agreed.

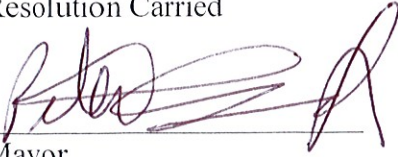
Resolution: 2026-05-06-119 (T. Penney & M. Cooze) Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at 6:53 pm.

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

Councillors M. Cooze, C. Kean, M. Osmond, T. Penney, D. Taylor

Special Meeting of May 6th, 2026

Opposed: 0
Conflict of Interest: 0
Resolution Carried



Mayor



Town Clerk