

# News Release

## Gander and Area Chamber of Commerce

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### **Chamber commends Town of Gander on their 2010 Budget**

Representatives of the Gander and Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors have reviewed the Town of Gander's 2010 Budget and met with the Town to gain further clarification on certain content.

Chamber President, Pat Kearney stated: "the Chamber recognizes there is an impact on the business community with the budgeted increases in property, business and water & sewer tax. While a tax increase of 3% in a period of economic recession is not desirable, these taxes have been without increase for three (3) years. And, when compared to increases budgeted in other municipalities, the 3% increase is understandable."

He went on to say: "The budget contains several infrastructure improvements which add to the overall protection of property and enhancement of services for both businesses and residents of Gander."

The Chamber congratulates the Town of Gander on being able to provide these improvements and maintain fiscal responsibility.

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