



The Town of Fortune

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Minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council
Of the Town of Fortune, held at the
Fortune Municipal Center
January 13, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present:

Mayor	Charles Penwell
Deputy Mayor	Frazer Smith
Councillors	Terence Fleming Roy Kendell Patrick Parsons Matthew Woodland

Also Present:

Chief Administrative Officer	Linda Collier
Town Clerk	Lacey Symes
Student Placement	Natalie Stacey

Additions/Adoption to Agenda:

Mayor Penwell asked if there were any additions to the Agenda of January 13, 2020. Items identified were as follows:

11. Port Authority- Bench

Motion 2020-01-13-01 DEPUTY MAYOR SMITH / COUNCILLOR PARSONS

Resolved that the Agenda for January 13, 2020 meeting be adopted as presented with additions.

In favour: Mayor Penwell
 Deputy Mayor Smith
 Councillors: Fleming, Kendell, Parsons & Woodland

Opposed: 0
Motion carried



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Adoption of Minutes:

Mayor Penwell asked if there were any errors or omissions to the Minutes from the Regular Council meeting held on December 2, 2019 as presented.

Motion 2020-01-13-02 DEPUTY MAYOR SMITH/ COUNCILLOR KENDELL

Resolved to adopt the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of December 2, 2019 as presented.

In favour: Mayor Penwell
 Deputy Mayor Smith
 Councillors: Fleming, Kendell, Parsons & Woodland

Opposed: 0
Motion carried

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Public Works

CAO Collier advised Council that there were ongoing sewer issues on Eldon Street resulting from residents flushing swiffer pads causing a blockage. Office Staff sent a memo via mass email/social media advising these issues & items that cannot be flushed- hopefully this will resolve the issue. If the problem becomes a re-occurring matter the decision will be made regarding the option of smoke testing.

There have also been ongoing water issues on a property located on Eldon Street, the standpipe for that property was relocated years ago; however, they are now experiencing low water pressure & there were also reports that the neighboring property across the road has a water leak as well. The Public Works Employees are going to attempt to resolve the water leaks; if unable to fix the Town may have to look at the possibility of contracting companies to assist in repairing. CAO Collier to update Council when available.

CAO Collier received an inquiry from one of the Public Works Employees regarding permission for snowclearing the Public Works Employees driveways. Council discussed this matter & it was agreed that there was never any approval from Council for Public Works Employees to clear their driveways, the only approval given regarding the clearing of driveways was to cut out the Fire Department members driveways after all roads have been cleared.

CAO Collier to advise the Public Works Employees that the clearing of their driveways is not permitted & to provide a list of Fire Department members to them.



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2. Fortune Arena

Arena Attendant Paul Tulk attended the Arena Operator's Training in St. John's on November 13, 2019 and met with CAO Collier regarding the specifics, Tulk felt it was important to forward the notes taken throughout the training to Council.

Arena Attendant Tulk noted the importance any new employees taking part in the Arena Operating Course.

Arena Attendant Tulk pointed out that in the Town of Fortune's helmet policy it stated that wearing a helmet while on the ice is mandatory; Tulk suggested using the words "STRONGLY ENCOURAGE" for the purpose of the Town's liability if helmets are not worn correctly.

Council agreed to continue the use of the word "MANDATORY".

The importance of the Carbon Monoxide Detectors was also discussed, CAO Collier advised that the Town was denied gas tax funding for the carbon monoxide detectors; however, she resubmitted the applications under "arena upgrades".

3. 2019/2020 Fire Protection Vehicle Infrastructure Program

CAO Collier advised council that the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador has approved and increased the funding for the 2019/2020 Fire Protection Vehicle Infrastructure Program in the amount of \$968.40.

4. Scotiabank- Borrowing Resolution

Motion 2020-01-13-03 DEPUTY MAYOR SMITH/ COUNCILLOR PARSONS

Resolved to approve to borrow the sum of \$10,000 from the Bank of Nova Scotia for the Scotiabank Business Visa.

In favour: Mayor Penwell
 Deputy Mayor Smith
 Councillors: Fleming, Kendell, Parsons & Woodland

Opposed: 0
Motion carried

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4. Scotiabank- Borrowing Resolution Continued..

Motion 2020-01-13-04 DEPUTY MAYOR SMITH/ COUNCILLOR PARSONS

Resolved to approve to borrow the sum of \$100,000 Line of Credit from the Bank of Nova Scotia.

In favour: Mayor Penwell
 Deputy Mayor Smith
 Councillors: Fleming, Kendell, Parsons & Woodland

Opposed: 0
Motion carried

5. Noise Complaint(Heat Pump)

A noise complaint was brought forward from a resident regarding their neighbor's heat pump, the heat pump placed on the neighboring property is within close proximity of their home creating quite a bit of noise.

It was a consensus of Council for CAO Collier to contact the resident advising that their concern is very understanding; however, there is nothing within the Town of Fortune's bylaws/regulations regarding heat pumps.

6. Letter From Concerned Citizen

Defer, this issue may be tabled at the next MNL.

7. Resident/Fireman Inquiry- Snowclearing

Already discussed

8. 2020 Clean & Safe Drinking Water Workshop

March 23- March 26, 2020

Council recommended to send Public Works Employee Whalen as Public Works Supervisor Caines attended the 2019 workshop.

Motion 2020-01-13-05 DEPUTY MAYOR SMITH/ COUNCILLOR PARSONS



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Resolved to send Public Works Employee Whalen to the 2020 Clean & Safe Drinking Water Workshop on March 23- March 26, 2020.

In favour: Mayor Penwell
Deputy Mayor Smith
Councillors: Fleming, Kendell, Parsons & Woodland

Opposed: 0
Motion carried

9. Fortune Head Trail/Burin Peninsula Trails Network

Councillor Woodland advised Council that he has been communicating with Brian Rose regarding the old trail from Fortune Head going to Western Pierre & after speaking with Mr. Bungay from ACOA he had advised there is funding available there to recreate the trail & if he is able to prove there was an existing trail before it will help skip past a lot of barriers. Councillor Woodland is looking for support from the Council to move forward.

Motion 2020-01-13-06

DEPUTY MAYOR SMITH/ COUNCILLOR KENDELL

Resolved for the Town of Fortune to support Councillor Woodland in moving forward with the exploration of the trail from Fortune Head to Western Pierre.

In favour: Mayor Penwell
Deputy Mayor Smith
Councillors: Fleming, Kendell, Parsons & Woodland

Opposed: 0
Motion carried

The Burin Peninsula Trails Network Meeting is scheduled for January 16, 2020 at 1:00 p.m., Councillor Woodland will be attending on behalf of the Town of Fortune & Fortune Head Eco Friends.

Mayor Penwell will be attending if available.

10. Letter of Support- Proposed Lumpfish Hatchery

Received a letter from the Burin Peninsula Chamber of Commerce seeking a letter of support from the Town of Fortune for the proposed Lumpfish Hatchery in Marystown.

Motion 2020-01-13-07

DEPUTY MAYOR SMITH/ COUNCILLOR PARSONS



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Resolved to send a letter of support from the Town of Fortune in favour of the proposed Lumpfish Hatchery in Marystown.

In favour: Mayor Penwell
Deputy Mayor Smith
Councillors: Fleming, Kendell, Parsons & Woodland

Opposed: 0
Motion carried

11. Fortune Port Authority- Bench

CAO Collier met with Mr. Earl Rose & he asked what location the Town would like the bench down by the slipway moved to.

It was a consensus of Council to move the bench to the grass lot by Marybrowns.

FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS:

Motion 2020-01-13-08 COUNCILLOR WOODLAND/ DEPUTY MAYOR SMITH

Resolved to approve the financial transactions for December 2, 2019- January 10, 2020.

In favour: Mayor Penwell
Deputy Mayor Smith
Councillors: Fleming, Kendell, Parsons & Woodland

Opposed: 0
Motion carried

PERMITS/EXEMPTIONS/ADJUSTMENTS:

Exemptions/Adjustments: KEARW001- additional water/sewer for January 1, 2019- May 31, 2019

Motion 2020-01-13-08 COUNCILLOR WOODLAND/ DEPUTY MAYOR SMITH

Resolved to approve the adjustment for the additional water/sewer charge for KEARW001 from January 1- May 31, 2019; however, a letter to be sent to KEARW001 to advise to notify the office as soon as possible once apartment rental is vacant as there will be no retroactive adjustments in the future.

In favour: Mayor Penwell
Deputy Mayor Smith
Councillors: Fleming, Kendell, Parsons & Woodland

Opposed: 0
Motion carried



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CORRESPONDENCE:

Federation of Canadian Municipalities- Membership Renewal- \$536.92 yearly to be a member, it was a consensus of Council to defer.

MAA Update & Supplemental Notice Level for Councillor's information

Tim Hortons- Pitch in Week April 19-26, 2020- Councillor's information

Burin Peninsula Joint Council- Lumpfish Hatchery- Councillor's information, tabled in agenda.

Quarry Review- Invitation to participate in Public Consultations Quarry Legislation Review- Councillor's information

TRIO- Invitation 6th Annual Talk to TRIO board- Councillor's information

Rock Insurance Brokers- Interest in private security- Councillor's information

COUNCILLOR'S FORUM / COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mayor Penwell- Suggested having a teleconference with Byron Smith's Accounting Office, Councillor Fleming to draft a respond letter to the accounting firm before engaging meeting.

Councillor Fleming- NIL

Councillor Kendell- After walking the Horsebrook Trail after the storm there are four trees down that is right across the path, looking for the Public Works Employees to clear the trees out of the Trail.

Mental Health Coalition Meeting taking place tomorrow, January 14th at the Fortune Fire Hall.

Councillor Parsons – The Fortune Head Geology Centre's Manager Mona Follett's mother in law passed away, Councillor Parsons suggested sending condolences on behalf of the Town.

Deputy Mayor Smith – Expressed concern regarding sharing/advertising for businesses on Town's facebook page, Office Staff to only share Town related business on facebook page & list businesses within the Town of Fortune on the Town's website rather than facebook.

Councillor Woodland- Inquired if there is a water leak by the Green Depot, CAO Collier to follow up with Public Works Staff.



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ADJOURNMENT / Next Meeting

Motion 2020-01-13-09: COUNCILLOR KENDELL/DEPUTY MAYOR SMITH

Resolved to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting at 7:45 p.m., next Council Meeting scheduled for January 27, 2020.

In favour: Mayor Penwell
Deputy Mayor Smith
Councillors: Fleming, Kendell, Parsons & Woodland

Opposed: 0
Motion carried



Mayor Penwell



Lacey Symes- Town Clerk



Natalie Stacey- Student Placement



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AGENDA - Council Meeting
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Additions/Adoption to Agenda

Adoption of Minutes: December 2, 2019

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Public Works
2. Fortune Arena- Notes from Arena Operators Training
3. 2019/2020 Fire Protection Vehicles Infrastructure Program
4. Scotiabank- Borrowing Resolution
5. Noise Complaint (Heat Pump)
6. Letter from Concerned Citizen
7. Resident/Fireman Inquiry- Snowclearing
8. 2020 Clean and Safe Drinking Water Workshop
9. Fortune Head Trail/Burin Peninsula Trails Network- January 17, 2020
10. Letter of Support- Proposed Lumpfish Hatchery

FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS: (December 2, 2019- January 10, 2020)

PERMITS/EXEMPTIONS/ADJUSTMENTS:

Exemptions/Adjustments: KEARW001- additional water/sewer for January 1, 2019- May 31, 2019

CORRESPONDENCE:

Dated	From	Particulars	Anticipated Action
Dec 2/19	Federation of Canadian Municipalities	FCM Membership 2020-2021	Membership
Dec 2/19	MAA	Update on the Municipal Assessment Agency	Councillor's Information
	MAA	Supplemental Notice Level	Councillor's Information
Dec 11/19	Pitch In/Tim Hortons	Pitch in Week- April 19-26, 2020	Councillor's Information
Dec 23/19	Burin Peninsula Joint Council	Lumpfish Hatchery	Councillor's Information
Jan 7/2020	Quarry Review	Invitation to Participate in Public Consultations- Quarry Legislation Review	Councillor's Information
Jan 2020	TRIO	Invitation- 6th Annual Talk to TRIO board	Councillor's Information
Jan 2020	Rock Insurance Brokers	Interest in Private Security	Councillor's Information

COUNCILLOR'S FORUM / COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CAO REPORT-enclosed

ADJOURNMENT / Next Meeting: