



The Town of Fortune

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Minutes of a Regular Meeting of Fortune Town Council at the Fortune Council Chambers Wednesday, July 8, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Mayor Rita Piercey
Deputy Mayor Kenneth Keeping

Councillors: Dwayne Caines (left at 6:32 p.m.)
Rodney Rose
Frazer Smith

Absent with Regrets: Councillors Sherry Brady
Deneka Follett

Also Present: CAO Linda Collier
Town Clerk Lacey Barter

Additions/Adoption to Agenda:

Mayor Piercey asked if there were any additions to the Agenda of July 8, 2026.

Delegation: Ambrose Price 6:00 p.m.

Adoption of Minutes: Closed Meeting Minutes June 11, 2026

GENERAL BUSINESS:

5. Signage for Reserve
6. Bookkeeping- Fortune Recreation Commission
7. Dunk Tank- Fortune Recreation Commission
8. Community Enhancement Employment Program
9. NL Summer Games Soccer Team- Donation Request

Motion 2026-07-08-01: Deputy Mayor **KEEPING** /Councillor **CAINES**

Be it resolved that the Agenda of July 8, 2026 meeting be adopted as presented with additions.

In favour: Mayor Piercey
Deputy Mayor Keeping
Councillors: Caines, Rose & Smith

Opposed: 0 Motion carried.



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Delegation: Ambrose Price 6:00 p.m.

Council welcomed Ambrose Price to the Regular Public Council Meeting. Mr. Price attended the meeting to offer his services as a volunteer community advocate.

Ambrose advised Council that the Town of Fortune was the runner-up in the 2026 HGTV *Hometown Takeover* contest. He informed Council that he intends to submit another application for the next season and requested the Town's support in organizing a community rally during Fortune Week to help promote the initiative.

Mr. Price also identified the opportunity for the Town of Fortune to establish an official Town of Fortune Instagram page. He offered to administer the page on a volunteer basis at no cost to the Town.

Mr. Price thanked Council for the opportunity to attend the meeting and departed the meeting at 6:18 p.m.

Following the delegation, Council expressed its support for the proposed community rally and agreed to provide funding for the purchase of materials required to produce promotional signs.

Motion 2026-07-08-02: Councillor SMITH / Deputy Mayor KEEPING

Be it resolved that the Town of Fortune appoint Ambrose Price as a volunteer administrator of the Town of Fortune's official Instagram page, together with a designated Town staff member as co-administrator and that Ambrose be added to the Town's insurance policy as a registered volunteer, subject to the Town's insurer's requirements.

In favour: Mayor Piercey
Deputy Mayor Keeping
Councillors: Caines, Rose & Smith
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

Councillor Caines left the Council Meeting at 6:32 p.m. due to work commitments.

Adoption of Minutes:

Motion 2026-07-08-03: Councillor SMITH / Deputy Mayor KEEPING

Be it resolved that the Minutes of the June 9, 2026 Regular Meeting of Council be adopted as presented.



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In favour: Mayor Piercey
Deputy Mayor Keeping
Councillors: Rose & Smith
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

Motion 2026-07-08-04: Councillor **SMITH** / Deputy Mayor **KEEPING**

Be it resolved that the Minutes of the June 11, 2026 Closed Meeting of Council be adopted as presented.

In favour: Mayor Piercey
Deputy Mayor Keeping
Councillors: Rose & Smith
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

1. **Municipal Plan:** No update.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. **Capital Investments Plan Approval:**

Motion 2026-07-08-05: Councillor **SMITH**/ Deputy Mayor **KEEPING**

Be it resolved to submit a CCBF application for Road Rehabilitation Phase II for paving at Harbour Drive (Fishing Stage Road) with the Provincial Paving quote in the amount of \$17,741.59 and all other associated costs.

In favour: Mayor Piercey
Deputy Mayor Keeping
Councillors: Rose & Smith
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

2. **Lion's Club Town Cleanup:**

The Lion's Club town cleanup is scheduled to go ahead on Saturday, July 11th.

Mayor Piercey, Deputy Mayor Keeping & Councillor Rose indicate their ability to attend.

The Town will supply garbage bags and collect the garbage with the Town's truck (Councillor Rose).



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3. **Grand Bank Lion's Club- Commemorative Booklet:**

Motion 2026-07-08-06: Councillor SMITH/ Deputy Mayor KEEPING

Be it resolved to donate \$50.00 to the Grand Bank Lion's Club for the Commemorative Booklet.

In favour: Mayor Piercey
Deputy Mayor Keeping
Councillors: Rose & Smith
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

4. **Ministerial Approval- Public Works Truck Purchase:** Defer

5. **Signage for Reserve:** For information purposes- advised by Fortune Head Eco Friends that the signage for the reserve is currently in the planning stage with staff from Mistaken Point.

6. **Bookkeeping- Fortune Recreation Commission:**

Motion 2026-07-08-07: Councillor ROSE/ Deputy Mayor KEEPING

Be it resolved that the Town of Fortune authorize the Office Staff to provide bookkeeping services for the Fortune Recreation Commission.

In favour: Mayor Piercey
Deputy Mayor Keeping
Councillors: Rose & Smith
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

7. **Dunk Tank- Fortune Recreation Commission:** Due to the Town of Fortune currently being under a water conservation advisory, Public Works employees will fill a water tote using the water chute to provide water for the Fortune Recreation Commission's dunk tank.

8. **Community Enhancement Employment Program:** The application deadline has passed.

9. **NL Summer Games Soccer Team- Donation Request:**

Motion 2026-07-08-08: Councillor SMITH/ Deputy Mayor KEEPING

Be it resolved to donate \$50.00 to the NL Summer Games Soccer Team.



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Councillors: Rose & Smith
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS:

Payables: June 6, 2026 – July 3, 2026

Motion 2026-07-08-09:

Councillor **ROSE** /Councillor **SMITH**

Be it resolved that the financial transactions be approved for the period of June 6, 2026—July 3, 2026 as presented.

In favour: Mayor Piercey
Deputy Mayor Keeping
Councillors: Rose & Smith
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

EXEMPTIONS/ADJUSTMENTS:

NIL

CORRESPONDENCE: NIL

PERMITS:

Building Permit Applications:

#SMITF001	174-180 Bayview Street	Addition to Garage
#SLAND002	83 Eldon Street	Fence Rose/Smith

Council agreed to defer consideration of Building Application #SMITF001 until the next Regular Meeting of Council as Councillor Smith would have to declare a conflict of interest and the remaining members present would not constitute a quorum to consider the application.

Motion 2026-07-08-10:

Councillor **ROSE** /Councillor **SMITH**

Be it resolved to approve the Building Permit Application for #SLAND002 based on approval from all other regulatory departments.



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Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

CAO REPORT:

- Expressed appreciation to Council for their attendance at her mother's funeral and for their support.
- Follow up from the last Council Meeting held on June 9, 2026 regarding Glamour Cuts & Color #GLAMO001.

Motion 2026-07-08-11:

Councillor **SMITH** /Councillor **ROSE**

Be it resolved to accept the closure of business correspondence sent from Marissa Stacey in regards to the business within the Town of Fortune- Glamour Cuts & Color #GLAMO001, no adjustment in Business Tax applicable.

In favour: Mayor Piercey
Deputy Mayor Keeping
Councillors: Rose & Smith
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

COUNCILLORS FORUM/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mayor Piercey:

- Asked to have the Victoria Hall on the agenda for the next Council Meeting.
- CAO Collier to reach out to the Fortune Port Corporate/Fortune Harbour Authority & OCI regarding spillage from fish trucks.

Deputy Mayor Keeping:

- CAO Collier to reach out to OCI regarding the water conservation and the use of saltwater when possible.
- Pointed out that there is a safety concern with respect to the ramp that is located within the area of the water Chute. It was agreed for CAO Collier to reach out to the Fortune Harbour Authority to ask that something luminating (i.e. reflector) be placed on the ramp to ensure this piece of equipment is visible at night when residents / individuals visit the Chute to acquire drinking water.

Councillor Rose:

- Provided an update to Council regarding the meeting he had attended with the Town of Grand Bank & NL Health Services this afternoon.



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Councillor Smith:

➤ Suggested for the Town to review businesses being offered/operating within the Town of Fortune to ensure they are properly registered and complying with the Town's Business Tax requirements.

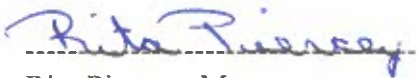
ADJOURNMENT / Next Meeting:

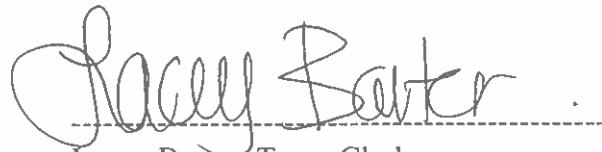
Motion 2026-07-08-12:

Deputy Mayor **KEEPING** /Councillor **SMITH**

Be it resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 7:51 p.m. with the next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, August 4, 2026.

In favour: Mayor Piercey
Deputy Mayor Keeping
Councillors: Rose & Smith
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.


Rita Piercey- Mayor


Lacey Barter- Town Clerk