The Town of Fortune

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Minutes of a Regular Meeting of Fortune Town Council
at the Fortune Council Chambers
Tuesday, June 9, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

Members Present:	Mayor	Rita Piercey
	Deputy Mayor	Kenneth Keeping
	Councillors	Sherry Brady
		Dwayne Caines
		Rodney Rose (as of 6:26 p.m.)
Absent with Regrets:	Councillors:	Deneka Follett
		Frazer Smith
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 June 9, 2026.

GENERAL BUSINESS:
6. 2025 Audited Draft Financial Statements

Motion 2026-06-09-01: Deputy Mayor **KEEPING** /Councillor **BRADY**

Be it resolved that the Agenda of June 9, 2026 meeting be adopted as presented with additions.

In favour: Mayor Piercey
Deputy Mayor Keeping
Councillors: Brady & Caines
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

Adoption of Minutes:

Motion 2026-06-09-02: Councillor **BRADY** / Councillor **CAINES**

Be it resolved that the Minutes of the May 27, 2026 regular meeting of Council be adopted as presented.

In favour: Mayor Piercey
Deputy Mayor Keeping
Councillors: Brady & Caines
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

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BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

1. **Emergency Plan**:

Motion 2026-06-09-03: Councillor **CAINES** / Councillor **BRADY**

Be it resolved to adopt the Town of Fortune's Municipal Emergency Management Plan that has been approved by the Director of Emergency Services as of June 4, 2026.

In favour: Mayor Piercey
Deputy Mayor Keeping
Councillors: Brady & Caines
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

2. **Municipal Plan** – No update.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. **Property Assessment Review Commissioner:**

Motion 2026-06-09-04: Deputy Mayor **KEEPING** /Councillor **CAINES**

Be it resolved to approve Norma Stacey as the Property Assessment Review Commissioner for the Town of Fortune for the period of January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026.

In favour: Mayor Piercey
Deputy Mayor Keeping
Councillors: Brady & Caines
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

2. **John Burke High School- Annual Awards and Scholarship Program:**

Motion 2026-06-09-05: Deputy Mayor **KEEPING** /Councillor **CAINES**

Be it resolved to donate $500 to the 2026 Annual Awards and Scholarship Program.

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In favour: Mayor Piercey
Deputy Mayor Keeping
Councillors: Brady & Caines
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

Councillor Rose entered the Council Meeting at 6:26 p.m.

3. **Lion's Club Town Cleanup:** Saturday, July 11, 2026 is scheduled for the Town Clean up with the Fortune Lions Club.

4. **Glamour Cuts & Colour- Business Closure:** Defer to Finance Committee.

5. **Truck Purchase:** Defer for further discussion at Public Works, Road, Waste & Water Committee.

6. **2025 Audited Draft Financial Statements:**

Motion 2026-06-09-06: Deputy Mayor **KEEPING** /Councillor **ROSE**

Be it resolved to approve the 2025 Draft Audited Financial Statements prepared by Jordan Penney CPA Professional Corporation.

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

FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS: Payables: May 22, 2026 – June 5, 2026

Motion 2026-06-09-07: Deputy Mayor **KEEPING** /Councillor **CAINES**

Be it resolved that the financial transactions be approved for May 22- June 5th, 2026 as presented.

In favour: Mayor Piercey
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Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

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EXEMPTIONS/ADJUSTMENTS:

-2026 Agriculture Tax Exemption #PATTK001 $4283.40

Motion 2026-06-09-08: Councillor **CAINES** /Councillor **ROSE**

Be it resolved to approve the 2026 Agriculture Tax Exemption for #PATTK001 in the amount of $4283.40 based on the Department of Forestry, Agriculture and Lands Property Tax Exemption notice.

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

CORRESPONDENCE: NIL

PERMITS:

Building Permit Applications:

#HILLR017	31 Confederation Street	Fence

Motion 2026-06-09-09: Councillor **CAINES** /Councillor **ROSE**

Be it resolved to approve the Building Permit Application for #HILLR017 based on approval from all other regulatory departments.

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

CAO REPORT:

- Mayor Piercey to attend the JBHS Relay for Life.
- Advised Council of an Incident Command Training, a self study course available, Councillors were advised to reach out to Linda if interested in registering.
- Sent off an application on behalf of the Fire Department for P25 Radios.
- Asked liaisons of the Fortune Recreation Commission to check if they had applied for the CEEP.

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COUNCILLORS FORUM /COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mayor Piercey:
- Asked Office Staff to order a sticker for the Town of Fortune's 80th year of incorporation.

Councillor Brady:
- Suggested erecting a sign at the Fortune Soccer Field advising no pets on the field, the field is going to be used all season by the Grand Bank- Fortune Soccer Association.

Councillor Rose:
- Provided information regarding the Fire Smart Program, this matter will be referred to the Fire Department Executive for review prior to being brought before Council.

ADJOURNMENT / Next Meeting:

Motion 2026-06-09-10: Councillor **CAINES** /Councillor **ROSE**

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:48 p.m. with the next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 8, 2026.

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

Rita Piercey- Mayor

Lacey Barter- Town Clerk