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Minutes of a Regular Meeting of Fortune Town Council
at the Fortune Municipal Center
Wednesday, May 8, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

Members Present:	Mayor	Deanne Hickman
	Deputy Mayor	Jennifer Stacey
	Councillors	Paul Peach
		Rita Piercey
Absent with Regrets:	Councillor	Kenneth Keeping
	Councillor	Roy Kendell
	Councillor	Rodney Rose
Also Present:	CAO	Chief Administrative Officer
	Town Clerk	Lacey Symes

Additions/Adoption to Agenda:

Mayor Hickman asked if there were any additions to the Agenda of May 8, 2024.

GENERAL BUSINESS:
11. Civic Addresses- Lamaline Highway

Motion 2024-05-08-01: Deputy Mayor **STACEY**/Councillor **PEACH**

Be it resolved that the Agenda of May 8, 2024 meeting be adopted with the noted additions.

In favour: Mayor Hickman
Deputy Mayor Stacey
Councillors: Peach & Piercey
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

Adoption of Minutes:

Mayor Hickman asked if there were any errors or omissions to the Minutes from the Regular Council meeting held on April 24, 2024 as presented.

Motion 2024-05-08-02: Deputy Mayor **STACEY** /Councillor **PIERCEY**

Be it resolved to adopt the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of April 24, 2024 as presented.

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In favour: Mayor Hickman
Deputy Mayor Stacey
Councillors: Peach & Piercey
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Bench/Picnic Table Request

Received a request seeking the possibility of placing a bench/picnic table at the opposite side of Loggerhead Brook/across from the arena.

Motion 2024-05-08-03: Deputy Mayor **STACEY**/Councillor **PIERCEY**

Be it resolved to approve the request for placement of a bench/picnic table near Loggerhead Brook area.

In favour: Mayor Hickman
Deputy Mayor Stacey
Councillors: Peach & Piercey
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

2. Downtown Development Signage

It was a consensus of Council to correspond back to Mr. Gogos regarding the downtown development signage with recommendations to include the French connection, fishery, geology, etc on the story board.

Fortune signs to be more simplistic.

3. Proposal for Fortune- Coast of Bays Ferry Boat Route

Proposal received from Jeffrey Elford. CAO Collier to correspond back to Mr. Elford advising the proposal is outside of the scope of Council's mandate; however, recommend forwarding to the Fortune Port Corporation & Fortune Harbour Authority.

4. Burin Peninsula Supported Services

Mayor Hickman advised that if this matter was going to be discussed she would declare a conflict of interest.

CAO Collier suggested to defer this matter as Council is currently not in the position to make a decision as the email was just received today; therefore, no time to review. CAO Collier to circulate the email to all Council, excluding Mayor Hickman.

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5. Fusion Elevator- Stair Platform Lift

Defer to Finance Committee.

6. Recreation NL- Membership Benefits

For Councillor's information.

It was the consensus of Council for any future registration to the Recreation NL Conference that the participant will have to register themselves & will be reimbursed after attending.

7. Light it Up- Huntington Disease Awareness Month- Proclamation

Motion 2024-05-08-04: Councillor **PEACH**/Deputy Mayor **STACEY**

Be it resolved to proclaim the month of May 2024 as Huntington Disease Awareness Month.

In favour: Mayor Hickman
Deputy Mayor Stacey
Councillors: Peach & Piercey
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

8. Ehler-Danlos (EDS) Newfoundland & Labrador

Consensus of Council to display/share poster via mass email and social media regarding Ehler-Danlos (EDS) Awareness Month.

9. Recreation NL- Proclamation

Motion 2024-05-08-05: Deputy Mayor **STACEY**/ Councillor **PIERCEY**

Be it resolved to proclaim the month of June 2024 as Recreation Month.

In favour: Mayor Hickman
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Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

10. Easter Seals- Red Shirt Day

Post on mass email & social media.

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11. Civic Numbering- Lamaline Highway

Request has been sent in to Municipal Assessment Agency for the assigning of civic numbers on Hornhouse Road & Lamaline Highway.

FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS:

- Payables: April 19, 2024- May 6, 2024

Motion 2024-05-08-06: Councillor **PEACH**/Deputy Mayor **STACEY**

Be it resolved to approve the financial transactions dated April 19, 2024- May 6, 2024.

In favour: Mayor Hickman
Deputy Mayor Stacey
Councillors: Peach & Piercey
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

Donation Request:

Grand Bank Regional Theatre 2024 Sponsorship

Motion 2024-05-08-07: Deputy Mayor **STACEY**/ Councillor **PIERCEY**

Be it resolved to sponsor the Grand Bank Regional Theatre in the amount of $500.00 (Bronze Sponsor).

In favour: Mayor Hickman
Deputy Mayor Stacey
Councillors: Peach &Piercey
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

Make-a-Wish Run the Rock

Motion 2024-05-08-08: Councillor **PEACH**/ Councillor **PIERCEY**

Be it resolved to donate $50.00 to Make-A-Wish 29th Annual Run the Rock.

In favour: Mayor Hickman
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Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

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Burin Peninsula Health Care Foundation- 2024 Radiothon

Motion 2024-05-08-09: Deputy Mayor **STACEY** / Councillor **PEACH**

Be it resolved to donate $100.00 to the Burin Peninsula Health Care Foundation 2024 Radiothon.

In favour: Mayor Hickman
Deputy Mayor Stacey
Councillors: Peach & Piercey
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

EXEMPTIONS/ADJUSTMENTS: NIL

CORRESPONDENCE:

Municipal Assessment Agency- 2024 Clar Simmons Scholarship: For Councillor's information, if anyone would like to apply to obtain letter from Office Staff.

Municipal Assessment Agency- Assessment Roll for Tax Year 2025:

Residential % change in the amount of -1.68%
Residential value change in the amount of -$675,700

Commercial % change in the amount of -0.52%
Commercial value change in the amount of -$30,300

PERMITS:

Crown Land Application:
William Thornhill

Motion 2024-05-08-10: Deputy Mayor **STACEY** / Councillor **PEACH**

Be it resolved to approve the Crown Lands Referral for William Thornhill (file reference #1042632).

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Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

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Building Permits:

THORC001	16 Hickman Place	Dog Pen
ASHFA003	17 Pushthrough Crescent	Addition to Dwelling
AYERL006	1 Piercey Street	Patio on Shed
PEACT001	11-17 Sunset Crescent	Patio

Motion 2024-05-08-11: Deputy Mayor **STACEY** / Councillor **PIERCEY**

Be it resolved to approve the Building Permit Applications for THORC001, ASHFA003, AYERL006 & PEACT001 based on approval from all other regulatory departments.

In favour: Mayor Hickman
Deputy Mayor Stacey
Councillors: Peach & Piercey
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

CAO REPORT:

-Seeking dates of availability for the trip to St. John's to meet with the Minister of Tourism, Culture, Arts and Recreation, Minister of Environment and Climate Change and Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure. Mayor Hickman advised she will be out of the province from June 9th-17th. CAO Collier to reach out to MHA Paul Pike's office regarding availability.

-Advised Council that Brookside Shed was vandalized on May 6th, two windows were damaged, truck window & dent in the truck. CAO Collier contacted by RCMP and to give statement to RCMP.

Motion 2024-05-08-12: Councillor **PEACH** /Deputy Mayor **STACEY**

Be it resolved to purchase security cameras for Town of Fortune properties.

In favour: Mayor Hickman
Deputy Mayor Stacey
Councillors: Peach & Piercey
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

-Complaint received as per concern that a construction company does not have the proper approvals outside of the Town of Fortune.

Motion 2024-05-08-13: Councillor **PEACH** /Deputy Mayor **STACEY**

Be it resolved to update the New Business Application to reflect business registration number/registry of companies, workplace health & safety number & insurance policy.

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In favour: Mayor Hickman
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Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

- Seeking approval of Council to initiate the Tax Sale process for property located at 6 Miles Road.

Motion 2024-05-08-14: Deputy Mayor **STACEY**/ Councillor **PEACH**

Be it resolved to initiate Tax Sale process for 6 Miles Road.

In favour: Mayor Hickman
Deputy Mayor Stacey
Councillors: Peach & Piercey
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

- The Grand Bank- Fortune Ambulance Service Committee will be hosting an event for all outgoing GBFA staff at the Fortune Fire Hall, Town of Fortune Councillors & Town of Grand Bank Councillors to be invited as well.

  CAO Collier recommended gifting Derrick Dunne a congratulatory /appreciation token as he has accepted a new position as Operations Manager of the Burin Peninsula with NL Health Services.

Motion 2024-05-08-15: Deputy Mayor **STACEY**/ Councillor **PIERCEY**

Be it resolved to gift Derrick Dunne $100 as a congratulatory /appreciation token.

In favour: Mayor Hickman
Deputy Mayor Stacey
Councillors: Peach & Piercey
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

COUNCILLORS FORUM /COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Hickman:
-Will be out of the province from June 9th- June 17th.

-Energy Board meeting tomorrow, May 9th, suggesting inviting the concerned individuals who had sent letters to the Town Office regarding the wind energy project after the next Council Meeting.

Deputy Mayor Stacey:
-Finance Committee meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 7th at 6:00 p.m.

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Councillor Piercey: NIL

Councillor Peach: NIL

ADJOURNMENT / Next Meeting:

Motion 2024-05-08-16: Councillor **PEACH**/ Councillor **PIERCEY**

Be it resolved that the Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at 7:52 p.m.

In favour: Mayor Hickman
Deputy Mayor Stacey
Councillors: Peach & Piercey
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

Deanne Hickman
MAYOR

Lacey Symes
TOWN CLERK