



# 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,  
December 21, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

*Members Present*

Mayor  
Deputy Mayor

Charles Penwell  
Frazer Smith

Councillors:

Matthew Woodland  
James Dunne  
Patrick Parsons  
Roy Kendall

*Also Present*

Chief Administrative Officer

Corey Parsons

**Adoption of Agenda of December 21, 2017**

Mayor Penwell asked if there were any additions to the agenda & approval of the December 21, 2017 agenda.

Motion 2017-12-21-01                      Deputy Mayor Smith / Councillor Dunne

Resolved that the agenda of December 21, 2017 be adopted as presented.

In favour:     Mayor Penwell  
                  Deputy Mayor Smith  
                  Councillors: Woodland, Dunne, Parsons, Kendall

Opposed:     0.  
Motion carried.



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## **Adoption of Minute of December 4, 2017**

Mayor Penwell asked if there were any errors or omissions to the minutes of the regular meeting of December 4, 2017 as presented.

Motion 2017-12-21-02                      Deputy Mayor Smith / Councillor Woodland

Resolved to adopt the minutes of the regular council meeting of December 4, 2017

In favour:      Mayor Penwell  
                    Deputy Mayor Smith  
                    Councillors: Woodland, Dunne, Parsons, Kendall

Opposed:      0.  
Motion carried.

## **General Business**

### **1. Public Works Vehicle**

#### **New Backhoe**

CAO Parsons updated Council that the new 2018 John Deere Backhoe is ordered and expected to be delivered on January 4, 2018.

#### **Dumptruck**

CAO Parsons informed Council that the Dump Truck recently had its annual inspection, and the repair cost were \$6,204.



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## 2. Human Resources

### Arena Manager

There was considerable discussion regarding the employment status of the Arena Manager regarding full-time versus seasonal, as it will make a difference on his group insurance plan for long term benefits. The consensus is that due to seniority he has the first right out of the 2 arena employee's to go outside with the public works after the arena closes. He has worked year round for the last 2 years at capital projects at the arena.

Motion 2017-12-21-03

Deputy Mayor Smith / Councillor Dunne

Resolved that the Town of Fortune classify the current Arena Manager Full-time permanent.

In favour: Mayor Penwell  
Deputy Mayor Smith  
Councillors: Woodland, Dunne, Kendall

Opposed: P. Parsons  
Motion carried.

Council directed the CAO to discuss further with the Arena Manager.

### Financial Clerk

CAO Parsons recommended to Council approval for the Financial Clerk to have access to the Town's Revenue Canada accounts, as she is carrying out the work on a daily basis.

Motion 2017-12-21-04

Deputy Mayor Smith / Councillor Parsons

Resolved that the Town of Fortune approve authorization for the current Financial Clerk access to the Town's Revenue Canada accounts as a Director/Primary Officer.

In favour: Mayor Penwell  
Deputy Mayor Smith  
Councillors: Woodland, Dunne, Parsons, Kendall

Opposed: 0  
Motion carried.



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### 3. Business Application

Council further reviewed a business application from Collectivite Territoriale de Saint-Pierre et Miquelon for the operation of a Fibre Optic Station on Bayview Street to service their islands.

Motion 2017-12-21-05                      Councillor Parsons / Deputy Mayor Smith

Resolved that the Town of Fortune approve the business application from Collectivite Territoriale de Saint-Pierre et Miquelon to operate a Fibre Optic Station on Bayview Street.

In favour:      Mayor Penwell  
                    Deputy Mayor Smith  
                    Councillors: Woodland, Dunne, Parsons, Kendall

Opposed:      0  
Motion carried.

There was continued discussion regarding the level of taxes to be applied, as it will not be providing a business in Fortune and there are no other similar situations around the province.

Motion 2017-12-21-06                      Deputy Mayor Smith / Councillor Dunne

Resolved that the Town of Fortune approve a 1 year tax agreement for the operation of a Fibre Optic Station by the Collectivite Territoriale de Saint-Pierre et Miquelon for \$1,500 in 2018. Thereafter, the assessed value will be determined by the Newfoundland & Labrador Municipal Assessment Agency.

In favour:      Mayor Penwell  
                    Deputy Mayor Smith  
                    Councillors: Woodland, Dunne, Parsons, Kendall

Opposed:      0  
Motion carried.



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## 4. Dog Park

CAO Parsons was following up regarding previous discussions on the location of a dog park, and seeking direction from Council. A list of potential locations were sent out for Councillors to visit. As well, several pictures of potential pieces of equipment were presented.

There was considerable discussion amongst Councillors with regards to the use of the softball field.

It was agreed that Council would invite the Recreation Commission into a meeting early in the new year to seek their input.

## 5. 2018 Budget

Mayor Penwell delivered the proposed 2018 Town of Fortune Budget. The proposed budget is balanced as follows: Revenues \$1,407,132.53 and Expenses \$1,407,132.53.

Revenues - discussed and reviewed by department.

Expenses - discussed and reviewed by department.

Motion 2017-12-21-07 Deputy Mayor Smith / Councillor Kendall

Resolved that the 2018 Budget balancing at \$1,407,132.53 be accepted as presented by Mayor Penwell and the Finance Committee.

Councillor Woodland did raise concerns regarding speeding around Town and that there is no budgeted funds for speed bumps or signage. Council committed that if funds become available that consideration would be given to the purchase of speed bumps.

In favour: Mayor Penwell  
Deputy Mayor Smith  
Councillors: Woodland, Dunne, Parsons, Kendall

Opposed: 0  
Motion carried.



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## 5. 2018 Budget continued ...

### Tax Structure

Motion 2017-12-21-08 Deputy Mayor Smith / Councillor Kendall

Resolved that the Tax Structure as presented in the 2018 Budget be accepted.

In favour: Mayor Penwell  
Deputy Mayor Smith  
Councillors: Woodland, Dunne, Parsons, Kendall

Opposed: 0  
Motion carried.

### Gazette the Tax Structure

Motion 2017-12-21-09 Deputy Mayor Smith / Councillor Dunne

Resolved to gazette the Tax Structure for 2018.

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Deputy Mayor Smith  
Councillors: Woodland, Dunne, Parsons, Kendall

Opposed: 0  
Motion carried.



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## Correspondence

1. Correspondence from resident on Church Street.
2. Workplace NL  
Assessment Rates
3. Service NL  
Septic Approval on Lamaline Highway
4. MNL & PMA Membership

Motion 2017-12-21-10 Deputy Mayor Smith / Councillor Woodland

Resolved that the Town of Fortune approve membership into Municipalities NL for \$1,863.33 and professional Municipal Administrators for \$168.30.

In favour: Mayor Penwell  
Deputy Mayor Smith  
Councillors: Woodland, Dunne, Parsons, Kendall

Opposed: 0  
Motion carried.

## 5. Heritage Run Tourism Levy

Motion 2017-12-21-11 Deputy Mayor Smith / Councillor Woodland

Resolved that the Town of Fortune approve the per capita tourism levy from Heritage Run for \$576.80.

In favour: Mayor Penwell  
Deputy Mayor Smith  
Councillors: Woodland, Dunne, Parsons, Kendall

Opposed: 0  
Motion carried.



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## Chief Administrators Report

Invited Council to a social organized by staff scheduled for Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> starting around 2pm at the fire hall. Expenses for this event are covered by employee's recycling efforts.

## Councillor's Forum

Councillor Woodland  
Nil

Councillor Dunne  
Had an inquiry why Patten Place did not have a new street sign.

Councillor Parsons  
Inquired to having the bills payable on the agenda again.

Council Kendall  
Raised the idea of getting the Council meetings back on a regular schedule.  
Mayor Penwell agreed that Council meetings will happen every 2 weeks beginning January 9<sup>th</sup>.

Deputy Mayor Smith  
Reminded Councillors participating in the pancake breakfast at Lake Academy tomorrow starting at 7:30am.

Mayor Penwell  
Noted that there is a street light out on Hornhouse Road. Council are not responsible lights on that road.





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## ADJOURNMENT

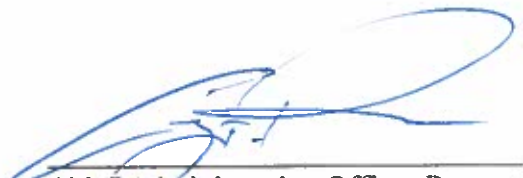
Motion 2017-12-21-12

Deputy Mayor Smith / Councillor KDunne

Resolved to adjourn the regular council meeting at 8:12p.m.

In favour: Mayor Penwell  
Deputy Mayor Smith  
Councillors: Woodland, Dunne, Parsons, Kendall

Opposed: 0.  
Motion carried.

  
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Mayor Charles Penwell  
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Chief Administrative Officer Parsons