



# The Town of Fortune

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A regular meeting of the Fortune Town Council was held on Monday, February 28, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.

Members present were: Mayor Alec Noseworthy, Deputy Mayor Kim Price, Councillors Penwell, Stacey, Tulk, Matchem and Reid.

Additions to Agenda: 9) Targa  
10) VLT's  
11) Fire Training Ground

**Be It Resolved:** It was moved by Councillor Tulk and seconded by Deputy Mayor Price that the agenda be adopted. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

**Be It Resolved:** It was moved by Councillor Tulk and seconded by Councillor Matchem the minutes of the February 14, 2005 meeting be adopted as presented. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

## **BUSINESS ARISING:**

1) (a) Fishery Products International Ltd.-Mayor Noseworthy informed Council that he had received correspondence from the Premier's office acknowledging his written request for a meeting with the Premier; however no meeting date has been scheduled. Also, there has been no response from Mr. McCurdy's office regarding the meeting requested with him. Mayor Noseworthy stated that he had been approached by some residents regarding the formation of a "Concern Citizens" group and he asked what Council's opinion was on that matter. General discussion .

It was agreed: (1) to make contact once again with the Premier's office regarding a meeting.

(2) if we still do not get a response in a reasonable period of time, contact the news media ( CHCM, Open line Show) to express our displeasure of not getting a meeting to discuss the future of the plant.

(3) to have a public meeting (including towns/communities affected by the possible closure of the plant) and form some type of Concern Citizens Group.



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Councillor Stacey inquired if Council was still backing the Union in its decision to support the establishment of an income trust and the sale of shares. It was agreed that Council will be onside with the Union.

(b) News release-Office of the Official Opposition-MHA Foote commenting on the quarterly profit of FPI and the need for the Premier to refuse FPI's request.

2. Fortune Head Ecological Site-Town Clerk Collier has forwarded all information on Fortune Head to Mr. Shuhood and will keep in contact with him. The tender package for the exhibits for the Interpretation Centre has not yet been received.

Councillor Tulk informed Council that the Interpretation Centre sub-committee of Council had meet with representatives of Innovation Trade & Technology, Schooner Regional Development and Heritage Run and he was very positive of the support of these groups and the eventual realization of the Centre.

3. Regional Water Study-the Regional Water Study sub-committee of Council drafted a letter of support for a tentative agreement to the Town of Grand Bank. It was agreed that Councillor Reid would contact Carl Rose for a media release.

4. Arena -Family Reunion, Doreen Simms-not required.

5. Economic Development-Office Clerk Stacey informed Council of the meetings between the staff and Kay Riggs of Innovation Trade & Technology and Greg Dominaux of Schooner Regional Development Board. It was suggested that an Economic Development Committee comprising of some members of Council and representatives of the Business Community, Heritage Society, Harbour Authority be formed and if this is done then to invite members of HRDSC, HRE, ACOA etc to a meeting to discuss options of funding etc. Mr. Dominaux also informed the staff that there was training modules available regarding economic development and this could be arranged at no cost to Council.

Councillor Stacey and Councillor Tulk agreed to act as Council's representatives on such a Committee along with the staff. It was agreed to write to members of the Business Community, Heritage Society, Harbour Authority to determine if there is an interest in acting as part of the Economic Development Committee.



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Councillor Stacey thanked the staff for their efforts thus far regarding Economic Development.

6. Ocean Net-Town Clerk Collier has discussed matter with Fire Chief Cuza and he will check with Patrick Parsons to determine if he would like to remain involved with Ocean Net and this particular project.

7. Central Restaurant-\$930.00 is what Council will receive in taxes regarding this property. Mr. Marks is considering pursuing another building for his interest since there seems to be continuing obstacles with the Central Restaurant Property. Mr. Clyde Hillier is still working on developing the Fair Isle Motel.

8. Cutting Edge Figure Skating Club-date for ice show has been rescheduled for April 2, 2005.

9. Fortune Teller-Office Clerk Hillier did a cost estimate for Council's review. Deputy Mayor Price and Councillor Stacey will discuss this matter with the Recreation Commission.

10. Arena Operators Seminar-Lorne is registered to attend.

11. EAS Office-Town Clerk Collier contact Lloyd Piercey and the MP's office is not aware of the EAS office relocating elsewhere.

12. Atlantic Jet-Mayor Noseworthy noted that the official christening trip has been rescheduled for March 19, 2005 and due to limited numbers the invitation was extended to the Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

13. Social-tentatively scheduled for April 9, 2005. It was agreed that a group photo would be arranged for the next meeting on March 14, 2005.

14. Philip Thornhill-shed. Mr. Thornhill has picked-up his application.



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## GENERAL:

1. Eastern School Board-Science Fair. Request for donation. Councillor Penwell excused himself from the meeting due to conflict of interest.

**Be It Resolved:** It was moved by Councillor Reid and seconded by Councillor Stacey that we would donate \$25.00 to the Science Fair. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

2. Bridges Employment-request to use office space at the Town Hall.

**Be It Resolved:** It was moved by Councillor Tulk and seconded by Councillor Penwell that we would grant the request from Bridges for this operating season commencing May 1, 2005 and the telephone lines would be the responsibility of Bridges. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

3. The Motorized Snow Vehicles and All Terrain Vehicles Regulations-info.

4. Marystown-Burin Area Chamber of Commerce-info regarding business development conference scheduled for May 31-June 3, 2005.

5. FFAX/CAW-info regarding assertions that the Union holds fish quota allocations.

6. Tidy Towns-

**Be It Resolved:** It was moved by Councillor Tulk and seconded by Deputy Mayor Price that we would registered in the Tidy Towns Competition for 2005 at a cost of \$150.00. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

7. Cyrus Caines-retirement-defer for next meeting.

8. Glenda Herridge-poll tax-resolved.

9. Targa-representatives will be here tomorrow to meet with staff members and Councillors who may be available.



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10. VLT's-no correspondence received for Council's direct attention.

11. Fire Training Ground-Councillor Stacey attended a meeting with the Fire Chiefs of Grand Bank and Fortune to discuss the upcoming work on the new site. Councillor Stacey noted that the Town of Grand Bank has committed \$2,000.00 to the project and we had agreed the two towns would have equal financial contributions however there was no allocation for this expense in the 2005 budget. Since there was some discussion at the meeting with the Fire Chiefs of the cost of cement being somewhat higher than anticipated, it was agreed to wait until the cost estimate for this came in before making a decision on Council's contribution. Councillor Stacey will inform the Fire Departments.

12. Deputy Mayor Price raised the question as to whether the Town can charge Fishing Enterprises a business tax. It was agreed to contact Municipal Affairs.

**Be It Resolved:** It was moved by Deputy Mayor Kim Price and seconded by Councillor Matchem the meeting adjourn at 10:00 p.m. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

Mayor

Office Clerk



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## AGENDA Council Meeting February 28, 2005

Adoption of Agenda

Adoption of Minutes: February 14, 2005

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(B) News Release - Office of the Official Opposition
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3. Regional Water Study
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5. Economic Development
6. Ocean Net
7. Central Restaurant - \$930.00

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8. Cutting Edge Figure Skating club
9. Fortune Teller
10. Arena Operators Seminars
11. EAS Office
12. Atlantic Jet
13. Social

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14. Philip Thornhill - Shed Construction



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