



The Town of Fortune

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A regular meeting of the Fortune Town Council was held on Thursday, January 10, 2002 at 7:00 p.m.

Members present were: Mayor Charles Penwell, Deputy Mayor Alec Noseworthy, Councillors Kim Price, Derrick Reid, Harvey Tulk, Terry Stacey, and Rosalind Matchem.

Delegation/Guests:

7:00 p.m. Fortune Community Center
(Rodney Brady & Lloyd Barnes)

Fortune Lions Club
(Harvey Rose)

Royal Canadian Legion
(Rennie Stacey)

The purpose of the group attending the meeting was to discuss and try and resolve the problems resurfacing regarding conflicting bookings between the Community Centre and the Royal Canadian Legion. Recent concerns were with the SUF Christmas Party booked at the Community Center again this year. All three groups were given an opportunity to voice their position regarding this matter.

1. Royal Canadian Legion - Rennie Stacey

Mr. Stacey noted his biggest concern was the lack of communication with the Community Center. There does not seem to be any problem with the Lions Club. Mr. Stacey felt that the Legion should be notified when the Center is having a dance.

2. Fortune Lions Club - Harvey Rose

Mr. Rose stated that bookings for weddings were helping to sustain the Lions Club and if there was a conflict with these booking it certainly would be devastating for the Club. He also informed the group that on February 2, 2002 the Lions are holding a fund-raiser for Raymond Thorne.



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3. Fortune Community Center - Rodney Brady & Lloyd Barnes

Mr. Brady distributed an information cost sheet for the Community Center totalling \$10,200.00. Mr. Brady stated that there have been occasions of mis communication with the Legion. He cited the Piercey Wedding. Proper forms had been given out to be signed by the Legion and verbal agreement was given until about a week prior to the wedding. He also noted that individuals who requested the use of the Center were informed to check with the Legion & Lions first and there was an occasion when the Legion offered their facility free of charge. He felt these things created confusion and contributing to the mis communication between the two groups.

Mayor Penwell encouraged the groups to resolve this conflict and cooperate to make the schedules work for the betterment of all concerned.

A lengthy discussion continued regarding this matter and it was agreed the Legion and Community Center would get together early next week to work out a schedule.

Mr. Brady stated he would arrange a meeting with the Community Center Committee to discuss the outcome of tonight's meeting.

When a schedule is completed it was agreed to submit a copy to the Council Office.

The groups retired from the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

7:45 p.m. Harbour Development Committee:
Earl Rose - Harbour Supervisor
Lloyd Price - Harbour Authority Chairperson
Kay Riggs - Dept. of Rural Development & Renewal
Jody Brushett - ACOA
Sam Cumby - Harbour Development Committee Member

The purpose of the meeting was to review the proposal for harbour development and discuss any components of the development which the Town may provide assistance.

Mr. Rose informed the group that he has been unsuccessful in arranging a meeting with M.P. Matthews to discuss this matter. Mayor Penwell will make contact with the MP's office.



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Ms. Riggs stated that St. Pierre is developing a proposal for the ferry service to accommodate up to 80 vehicles. She felt it might be beneficial to approach St. Pierre to confirm their proposal and identify the Development Committee's intention.

Mr. Rose noted that he had attended a meeting with individuals preparing a study on yachting services and the facilities at Fortune. He also noted that the harbour facilities in Fortune were recognized as part of a boating magazine in the United States.

It was agreed that the first process, before approaching agencies for funding, was preparing a development plan to scale and the engineering cost involved. Engineering cost estimated between \$15,000.00 - \$20,000.00. It was agreed to discuss matter with our MHA and MP.

Mr. Rose also informed the group that the Federal Government is again downloading their wharf facilities. The facilities in Fortune are apart of this program. The Harbour Authority has previously submitted a proposal to acquire the Federal facilities but there is some concern that outside interest, such as St. Pierre, might obtain these facilities if the price is right.

It was agreed to discuss this matter with MP Matthews and MHA Foote.

The group retired from the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

8:25 p.m. FFAW Union Representatives:
William Mullins - Local Chairperson
Wayne Moores
Peter Lockyer

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the recent announcement made by FPI regarding job losses.

Mr. Mullins informed Council of their meeting with Derrick Rowe, Wilson Fudge and other representatives of FPI. FPI is proposing to cut 134 jobs in Fortune, 315 in Marystown and 135 in Harbour Breton.

Mr. Mullins stated that under the previous Board of Directors, it was said that with the introduction of flow lines it would result in some job losses; however this was a couple of years ago and since then there have been several individuals retired, relocated, etc., which had already reduced the workforce.



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Prior to the take over of FPI by the new Board of Directors, Mr. Rowe and Mr. Risley publicly stated there would not be any layoffs.

The Task Force referred to as completing the study for FPI was an internal one and not an independent group.

At present the proposal presented to the Union has been completely turned down and the Company will have to present another.

If a retirement package is offered to workers the Union would have to review, it would also have to be voluntary retirement before accepted by the Union.

Earl McCurdy, Union Chairperson has stated that lay-offs will not be accepted.

Local Union very aggressive and determined to close down the fishery if necessary and protect plant operation here in Fortune.

Mayor Penwell held a teleconference with Mayor Rogers of Harbour Breton and Mayor Synard of Marystown to discuss the situation. Arrangements are being made to schedule meetings with government officials and FPI representatives for Monday, January 14, 2002.

Mayor Penwell informed the Union Representatives that Council was supporting their efforts and it is very important that all groups and towns work together if this situation is going to be resolved in favour of the plants and towns.

An information session for employees will be held in the Fortune Lions Club at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, January 11, 2002. Mr. McCurdy will be guest speaker. Mayor Penwell and Councillors will attend this meeting as well.

Mr. Mullins will try and arrange with Mr. McCurdy to meet with Council at 2:00 p.m. on Friday.

Union representatives retired from the meeting at 11:00 p.m.

Collective Agreement

The Town Development Committee reviewed the counter proposal to be submitted to the workers. Councillors are in agreement with contents of the proposal.

It was agreed to order retiring gift in the price range of \$200.00 - \$300.00.

Be It Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Matchem and seconded by Councillor Price the meeting adjourn at 11:30 p.m. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

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AGENDA

Council Meeting

January 10, 2002

Delegation/Guests: 7:00 p.m. - Fortune Community Centre, Fortune Lions Club & Royal Canadian Legion

7:30 p.m. - Harbour Authority, Kay Riggs & Jody Brushett

8:30 p.m. - FFAW

Adoption of Agenda

Adoption of Minutes: December 13, 2001 Meeting

BUSINESS ARISING:

1. Social held for Health Care Employees - Cost each Council \$87.00
2. Figure Skating 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. now charged to the Cutting Edge Figure Skating Club
3. Wal Ber Lee Inn - Contract to dismantle the building awarded to Twin Town Electrical
4. Canadian Coast Guard meeting with Tract Consulting Inc.
5. Gateway Development - Nothing new to report
6. Tract have done fieldwork for development at Fortune Head and Horsebrook Trail upgrading and expansion.
7. Viewparks
8. New Contract for Employees
9. Scotiabank - Cashstop
10. Bus Shelter - Chester Dawe's has been installed

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11. Recreation Hockey - \$65.00 per game
12. Screen House on Drawing Board for Tender Call - Wayne Manual of Bae NewPlan to check out electrical with Municipal Affairs
13. Joyce Stacey - Letter written

GENERAL:

1. Street Light - Hornhouse Road
2. Fay Lee - Poll Tax
3. Mr. & Mrs. Claude Dunne celebrates 60th Wedding Anniversary - Saturday, January 12, 2002 - 2:00 p.m., Salvation Army Church Hall - Open House - Best wishes only
4. Project Workers
5. Public Works Committee - Town of Marystown
6. Water Sample Reports
7. St. John Ambulance
8. Hospitality Newfoundland & Labrador - Annual Convention & Trade Show

9. Small Tools:
 - (1) Snake Wrench - \$506.00
 - (2) Generator - 5000 Watt, Gas, Electric Start, New Battery - \$500.00
10. W/D Site Meeting with Burin
11. Eric's Retirement
12. FPI



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13. Summer Games

14. Safety Courses

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Assessment News

2. Edward Follett

PERMITS:

Craig Bullock

16 Noseworthy Place

To erect a shed on property of
Mansfield Matterface