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A regular meeting of the Fortune Town Council was held on Monday, February 11th, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. with the following members in attendance: Mayor Alec Noseworthy, Deputy Mayor Brian Rose and Councillors Patrick Parsons, Charles Penwell, Kim Price, Terry Stacey and James Dunne.

Additions to Agenda:

- (26) Fred White's Sewer Line
- (27) Fire Department Budget
- (28) Hornhouse Road Bridge and Walkway
- (29) Land – Harbour Drive
- (30) Melvin Thornhill's request to purchase land
- (31) Letter of Support for Harbour Authority
- (32) Firehall – Plywood overhead
- (33) Ed Andrews, Southern Gazette- Winter Carnival
- (34) Internet Connection
- (35) Office Staff Wages/Budget

Be it Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Penwell and seconded by Councillor Price the agenda be adopted with the above-noted additions. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

Be it Resolved: It was moved by Deputy Mayor Rose and seconded by Councillor Stacey the minutes of the January 21st, January 24th, January 28th and February 1st, 2008 meetings be adopted with noted adjustments. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

BUSINESS ARISING:

1. Bridges Employment Lease - Defer
2. Boundary Line Mr. Parsons – Defer for Spring
3. Council to meet with Recreation Commission, Fire Department and Community Center concerning Budget – Meet simultaneously on Monday, February 11th
4. Innovative Communities Fund (SWAT analysis) – Norma to photocopy information for Councillors.
5. Permit Fee Structure – remain on Agenda. Consideration for next year's tax structure.
6. Workers Agreement – Information Councillor Stacey. Signing after.

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7. Canada Day Application - deadline February 28th, 2008. Linda to complete application.
8. Clarification Article 161 - Town Clerk Stacey to consult with Dan Noseworthy of Municipal Affairs for information purposes. Clarification of the Municipality's Act is not a responsibility of Council.
9. Minor Hockey re: renovations - Nothing back. Deputy Mayor Rose advised the NHLPA is not offering grants at this time, equipment only.
10. Wastewater Collecting System - Defer.
11. Conservation Corps - Not ready to proceed, but would look at next year.
12. Employee Benefit Plan (Finance Committee) - Defer. Finance Committee to meet before next Council meeting.
13. Heritage Foundation request to meet with Council - February 25th @ 7:15 pm
Heritage Fortune request to meet with Council - February 25th @ 7:30 pm
14. Compactor Rental rates Town of Grand Bank - Costs for diesel/operator at approximately \$200 per day (depending on diesel). Norma to determine selling price from Bob Giovannini prior to trial and whether or not air brake endorsement is required.

Be it Resolved: It was moved by Deputy Mayor Rose to proceed with a three-week trial period and seconded by Councillor Stacey with an amendment to proceed in April with Grand Bank if no other option was available. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.
15. Wood Cutting on Temple Street - Town Clerk Stacey advised that she spoke to Mr. Dodeman and his correspondence confirms that no other activity of this nature on the said property would be taking place. An application will be processed for a business permit to operate once a suitable location/property be purchased and the \$50 Business Tax previously paid could be adjusted.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Strategic Planning Roundtable Session Eastern School District Wednesday, February 13th, 2007 7-9pm. Marystown Central High School - Councillor Charles Penwell and Councillor Patrick Parsons declared a conflict of interest and temporarily left the meeting. No Councillor was available to attend.
3. Eastern School District - Regional Science Fair, March 13th, 2007 request for donation - same as last year. Include donations for Finance Meeting.

Councillor Penwell and Parsons returned at 8:10 pm.

2. RCMP Mayors' meeting March 5, 2007-Council Chambers in Marystown - Mayor Noseworthy to attend and possibly Deputy Mayor Rose.

4. Burin Peninsula Voice Against Violence - Proclamation for March 2008. Mayor to sign following meeting.
5. Municipal Discretionary Authority Workshop April 16th , 2008 Hotel Gander - Part of LAMA Convention.
6. NLAMA Convention Gander April 17th - 19th , 2008
Be it Resolved: It was moved by Deputy Mayor Rose and seconded by Councillor Stacey that Norma attend this convention with consideration to the office situation. . Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.
7. Correspondence Mr. John Smith - info.
8. Drinking Water Workshop March 11, 12 & 13 Hotel Gander - Apply and proceed to attend (Phil or Hughie).
9. Water Treatment Plant/Small Systems - not necessary to filter water and cost is beyond our ability.
10. Letter NML (Mayor Graham Letto re designated elected official for media and communications issues) - Councillor Penwell advised that he is willing.
11. Fortune Recreation Commission Invoice for cost of jerseys to Minor Hockey from 2007 or 2008 Budget - Liaison should be aware of significant purchases, and costs for the jerseys will come from 2008 Budget.
12. Copy of correspondence to Harbour Authority from Burin Peninsula Marine Service Center - for information. A decision for the Harbour Authority, Council not to interfere.

Other Discussion:

Settling of expropriation - waiting on response from Bob Giovanni and clarification from Lawyer, Terry White. Norma to follow-up for next meeting.

13. Interpretation Center - fee for MANL membership

Be it Resolved: It was moved by Deputy Mayor Rose and seconded by Councillor Stacey that membership be obtained from MANL for the cost of \$40. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

Interpretation Center - Targeted Wage Subsidy

Be it Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Penwell and seconded by Councillor Price that we proceed with making application for a Targeted Wage Subsidy to hire a Manager for the Fortune Head Interpretation Center.

Interpretation Center - Budget - Council was briefed on particulars surrounding budget preparation for the Interpretation Center and suggested that the Finance committee meet to review this budget.

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14. Summer Drinking Quality Report - Score of 92 which is very good.
15. Water problems Paul Wells - Town Clerk Stacey will discuss with Hedley Hillier and Paul Wells to explore rectifying this problem with consideration for a drain.
16. Waste Disposal Site Meeting for February 18th, 2007 - for information purposes.
17. Letter from Robert Matchem request to purchase land - Contact Ron Brady and notify of the request for land purchase.
18. Arena Operators (current & full-time employees) - Arena Operator Lorne Piercey has a letter from the Doctor. Part-time employee wages is now at \$9.00 per hour. Councillor Stacey felt that due to the responsibility this amount should be raised.

Be it Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Penwell to raise the casual rate from \$9.00 per hour to \$10.00 per hour and seconded by Councillor Price.

Deputy Mayor Rose requested further discussion on manual labour vs casual rate.

Be it Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Penwell to raise the casual labour rate from \$9.00 per hour to \$10.00 per hour and seconded by Councillor Price. 5-1, Deputy Mayor Rose Contra minded. Motion carried.

Other Business

Councillor Stacey asked Councillor Dunne to temporary leave the meeting due to conflict of interest - Councillor Stacey expressed the insufficient wage for Jerry Randell and suggested a wage increase or bonus. Councillor Penwell expressed how this could be an issue with Revenue Canada as he is not an employee of the Town. Town Clerk Stacey will discuss with Bridges and put on the Agenda for the next meeting.

Councillor James Dunne returned to meeting.

19. Recreation Commission Minutes January 21st, 2008 - for information. Letter of congratulations to all Executive.
20. Sunset Wood Products Chris Harris - Norma to correspond advising that Business is ceased.
21. Tender for Dump Truck
\$67,610 - Western Star (taxes, fees & license extra)
\$68,576 - Harvey & Company (taxes, fees & license extra)
\$54,030 - Hickman Motors (taxes, fees & license extra)
(Gas)
\$64,279 - Hickman Motors (taxes, fees & license extra)

Be it Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Stacey and seconded by Councillor Dunne that the tender from Hickman Motors in the amount of \$64,279 be accepted given all are equal.

Loan arrangements - Check out financing rates with GMAC for a term of 5 years.

22. CBDC - for information, annual report on file.

23. Lung Association re banning smoking in cars with children.

Be it Resolved: It was moved by Deputy Mayor Rose and seconded by Councillor Stacey that we provide a letter of support to the Lung Association in their efforts to ban smoking in cars with children. 5-1, 1 Councillor Penwell Contra minded. Motion carried.

24. MHA King - Health Care Article - for information.

25. Heritage Day Proclamation

26. Fred White (Sewer) - Explore costs with Hedley Hillier to move sewer line to Farm Road.

27. Fire Department Budget - Deputy Mayor Rose advised that there are concerns and inquiries surrounding their budget. Norma has prepared a summary as requested by Stanley Symes . Address concerns at meeting on February 11th, 2008.

28. Hornhouse Bridge & Walkway - DFO advises that a structural engineer has advised that this bridge is undermined. Issues of snow clearing and fire was discussed. Town Clerk Stacey will check with local businesses regarding a rate to clear beyond the bridge in the event of a storm. The Fire Department will be advised to put a contingency plan in place.

29. Land on Harbour Drive - This "temporary" landfill for RJG is to be removed when work is completed.

30. Purchase of land (Melvin Thornhill) - Councillor Stacey advised that this needs to be looked at by putting pegs in.

31. Letter or Support for Harbour Authority - Agreed to support in seeking more funding.

32. Fire Hall ceiling - Project worker to take down to see what's in under the plywood.

33. Ed Andrews of Southern Gazette for Winter Carnival Advertisement.

Be it Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Penwell and seconded by Councillor Price to sponsor an add for the cost of \$60 for the Winter Carnival. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

34. Internet Connection - Town Clerk Stacey to check with Procom regarding access to Town Suite from home and address any security concerns.

35. Office Staff Wages -

Be it Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Penwell to give the inside workers the same wage rate increase as outside workers and seconded by Councillor Parsons.

Further discussion - Deputy Mayor Rose requested to defer for another week and make presentation to the Development Committee regarding one or two sets of negotiations. Councillor Stacey indicated outside and inside staff do not have to be tied in together, they are two separate entities, taken on an independent basis. There is no policy in place. Deputy Mayor Rose felt that a decision should be made regarding one or two sets of negotiations, at which time Councillor Penwell indicated it's clear for the next three years based on motion passed.


Be it Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Penwell to give the inside workers the same wage rate increase as outside workers and seconded by Councillor Parsons. 5-1, Deputy Mayor Rose Contra minded. Motion carried

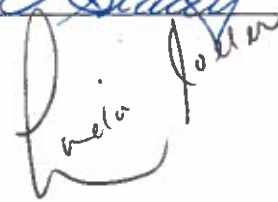
ADJOURNMENT:

Be It Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Price and seconded by Councillor Penwell that the meeting adjourn at 10:15 p.m. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.



Chairperson of Meeting



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CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Dept. of Finance-Regional Demographics Profiles Newfoundland & Labrador
2. Canadian Industry Program for Energy Conservation 2007 Annual Report
3. Infonotes-January 25, 2008
-February 1, 2008