



# The Town of Fortune

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A regular meeting of the Fortune Town Council was held on Monday, March 24th, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. with the following members in attendance: Mayor Alec Noseworthy, Deputy Mayor Brian Rose and Councillors Kim Price, Terry Stacey and James Dunne.

**Additions to Agenda:** ( 9) Severance Package  
(10) Hornhouse Road  
(11) RJG Quarry  
(12) Employee Matter  
(13) Arena Renovations

**Be it Resolved:** It was moved by Councillor Price and seconded by Councillor Stacey that the Agenda be adopted with additions. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

Councillor Dunne left the meeting at 7:23 pm.

**Be it Resolved:** It was moved by Councillor Stacey and seconded by Councillor Price that the Minutes of the March 10<sup>th</sup> meeting be adopted with noted adjustments. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

Councillor Dunne returned to the meeting at approximately 7:40 pm.

## **BUSINESS ARISING:**

1. Bridges Employment Lease - Defer.
2. Boundary Line Mr. Parsons - Defer.

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3. Innovative Communities Fund (SWAT) Analysis - Defer. It was suggested to have a separate meeting.
4. Permit Fee Structure – Defer for next year’s tax structure.
5. Wastewater Collection System - Defer.
6. Employee Benefit Plan - Defer. Town Clerk Stacey to check out.
7. Compactor RJG Construction - Town Clerk Stacey spoke to Bob Giovanni who advised that he needs to have a look at the compactor to see what is required in getting it on the road. The costs to the Town is believed to be that of a battery and licence as part of the “free” trial basis. Town Clerk Stacey was expecting to speak to Mr. Giovanni on Tuesday or Wednesday; and it was agreed that the particulars regarding costs, “free” trial basis and price to purchase after the “free” trial basis should be stated in writing to ensure no hidden expenses or issues if it’s decided to purchase later. Town Clerk Stacey advised that Grand Bank’s compactor could be available by April 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup>.

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8. Expropriation - Town Clerk Stacey tried to contact Terry White and Barry Learmont with no success, and then contacted Glen Picco to express the concern how things aren't moving in sufficient time. Mr. Picco advised that he would check into the situation. Town Clerk Stacey is expecting to hear from him tomorrow, March 25<sup>th</sup>. Deputy Mayor Rose feels it appropriate to contact the Law Society to determine whether such mannerism (inability to contact, inadequate delay) is acceptable. It was agreed that Town Clerk Stacey would follow-up with Mr. Picco within a day or so, and if no firm answer is acquired, a letter would be written to Mr. White advising dissatisfaction of the untimely process and that if nothing moves forward within the next couple of weeks, Council has no choice but to retain alternate legal Counsel. It was also suggested for Town Clerk Stacey to contact the Town of Grand Bank to see if this lengthy process is normal.
9. Waste Disposal Site - As discussed in a previous meeting, Town Clerk Stacey contacted Town Manager Bolt in Grand Bank with respect to the two Town Councils setting up a meeting with appropriate officials to acquire information as it relates to the time frame of the Waste Disposal Site closure and related issues. Town Manager Bolt advised that Grand Bank has met with Minister Devine and is waiting for a response. It was agreed to wait pending a response from the Town of Grand Bank with respect to their reply from Minister Devine.
10. Bridges Employment (Revenue Canada) - This issue is redundant based on client no longer employed.
11. Financing for Dump Truck - Town Clerk Stacey is waiting to hear from GE Capital representative; however, was advised by Rick Noel at Hickman Motors that the rate is 6% over 4 or 5 years. The Bank Manager has also been contacted with no reply to date.
12. Land (Melvin Thornhill) - Approved in previous meeting with the understanding that the sewer line within twenty feet from the playground fence is sufficient distance. The other perimeters are more than twenty feet.
13. Targeted Initiative for Older Workers - A briefing note was referenced and questions answered by Linda Collier who attended this Information Session on February 28th.
14. Temporary Office Clerk and Arena Operator -

**Be it Resolved:** It was moved by Councillor Dunne and seconded by Deputy Mayor Rose that the number one placed candidate for the position of temporary Office Clerk, Collette Stacey, be offered the position based on her ability to be bondable. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

Councillor Stacey declared a conflict of interest based on monetary interest and the conflict was challenged. A vote took place and Councillor Stacey's conflict of interest was rejected.

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**Be it Resolved:** It was moved by Councillor Price and seconded by Councillor Dunne that the number one placed candidate for the position of temporary Arena Operator, Neal Rose, be offered the position based on his ability to be bondable. Contra minded. 4-1, Councillor Stacey Contra minded. Motion carried.

15. Petition Paul Talk and area residents - The residents are requesting Council to look after this situation. Town Clerk Stacey advised that Rick Grikis has been up (outside the property) and the electrical inspector couldn't get in. The Department of Health has advised that that it's Council's responsibility to declare the building to be a dilapidated building. Town Clerk Stacey will continue to find out particulars, contact Dan Noseworthy of the Dept. of Municipal Affairs and advise Paul Talk that the situation is in the process of being addressed.

16. Drake Property - installation of culvert

Councillor Stacey declared a conflict of interest based on family relative and the conflict was challenged. A vote took place and Councillor Stacey's conflict of interest was accepted and he left the meeting.

It was agreed that based on the Insurance company's decision that the Town was not negligent in anything they did, Council would not do any work on the property.

Councillor Stacey returned to the meeting.

17. Municipal Symposium 2008 Agenda - No one to attend.

## NEW BUSINESS:

1. Price Quote re: Don Stone - Accident.

**Be it Resolved:** It was moved by Deputy Mayor Rose and seconded by Councillor Price that the price quote from Corner Auto Body in the amount of \$1,089.21 (tax included) be accepted for the practicality of resident. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

1. Fire Department

- ▶ Fire Department to discuss boundaries for building regulations - Councillor Stacey will seek out the concerns pertaining to building regulations and bring back to Council
- ▶ Another liaison with Councillor Stacey - Status quo. In the event that Councillor Stacey is not available, the Council office can be notified to arrange a replacement in his absence if necessary.
- ▶ Letter of resignation, Stan Symes Jr. - information purposes.

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3. John Burke High School request for donation (ball hockey championships) - for Recreation Commission.
4. Fair Isle Motel - The conditions of the existing building is an eye sore, health hazard and could potentially provide future business opportunity. Deputy Mayor Rose will try and obtain information on the particulars on purchasing the property, liens associated, legalities, etc.
5. Regional Theming Workshop to be held at Interpretation Center April 25-27/08.

Deputy Mayor Rose declared a conflict based on monetary interest and left the meeting.

**Be it Resolved:** It was moved by Councillor Stacey and seconded by Councillor Price that the request to hold the Theming Workshop with the Pete Barrett of the Dept. of Innovation, Trade & Rural Development at the Interpretation Center be accepted. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

Deputy Mayor Rose returned to the meeting.

6. GMF funding opportunity for Green Buildings (deadline June 19, 2008) - Defer for next meeting.
7. Volunteer Week (April 27<sup>th</sup> - May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008) - Information passed to Recreation Commission and Councillor Price to assist.
8. Eastern School District Regional Drama Festival (April 10-12, 2008) request for donation -

**Be it Resolved:** It was moved by Councillor Price and seconded Deputy Mayor Rose that a donation in the amount of \$30 for a quarter of a page advertisement be granted. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

Item #9 Severance Pay & #12 Employee Matter to be addressed at the end of the meeting.

10. Hornhouse Road - Deputy Mayor Rose expressed concern and suggested Council have a game plan in place prior to the meeting with the Department of Fisheries & Oceans. It was agreed that Council would meet prior to meeting, which is anticipated within the next week or so, to address the issues related to the poor road and bridge conditions, with reference being made to visitations to the Fortune Head Ecological Reserve. This meeting is important and could potentially provide opportunity in getting the road paved.



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- 11. RJG Construction Removal of Armour Stones - Deputy Mayor Rose expressed concern of the amount of amour stones being removed. Despite the importance of getting the work completed on western pier, it is felt that the original agreement and approval of removing 500 pieces was not adhered to. From Deputy Mayor Rose's understanding, the more accurate number of pieces being removed is 5000. It's felt that there is deception going on and that consideration to a stop work order should be put in place; however, discussion resulted in an agreement to write Mr. Giovanni stating Council's concern of the number of rocks taken compared to the original agreement and for him to contact Town Clerk Stacey to advise and discuss consideration and possible compensation if the amount taken is not within range.
- 13. Arena Renovations - Councillor Stacey acknowledged the strides the Town has taken in the accessibility to those in wheelchairs and expressed the possibility of constructing a wheelchair-accessible stand in order for appropriate viewing of events on the ice. It's a fairly inexpensive undertaking that could be entertained on a future project. The materials required for construction include plywood, a steel rod or cylinder, tubing with attachment to a solid beam or overhead structure for support. Norma advised that she will explore the proposition during her consultation with Greg Dominaux on the arena renovations. It was agreed that this would be a worthwhile consideration.
- 9. Severance Pay -
- 12. Employee Matter -

## CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1. Grand Bank Waste Disposal Site letter to Cecil Harris - info.
- 2. Infonotes (March 7, 14, & 21, 2008) - info.
- 3. News Release M.H.A. Darin King re: Roads Budget - info.  
Correspondence from M.H.A. Darin King to Fortune Recreation Commission - info.



## ADJOURNMENT:

**Be It Resolved:** It was moved by \_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ that the meeting adjourn at \_\_\_\_\_. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

Chairperson of Meeting

  
Office Clerk



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## AGENDA Council Meeting March 24, 2008

Adoption of Agenda

Adoption of Minutes-March 10, 2008  
-March 11, 2008

### BUSINESS ARISING:

1. Bridges Employment Lease-defer
2. Boundary Line Mr. Parsons-defer
3. Innovative Communities Fund(SWAT) Analysis-defer
4. Permit Fee Structure-defer
5. Wastewater Collection System-defer
6. Employee Benefit Plan-defer

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7. Compactor RJG Construction
8. Expropriation
9. Waste Disposal Site
10. Bridges Employment (Revenue Canada)-defer
11. Financing Dump Truck
12. Land Melvin Thornhill-sewer line within the twenty feet from playground fence.
13. Targeted Initiative for Older Workers





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