



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
September 2, 2014

Members Present

Mayor	Charles Penwell
Deputy Mayor	Corey Parsons
Councillors:	Levi Curtis
	Yvonne Harris
	Dave Holloway
	Patrick Parsons
	Frazer Smith

Also present

Town Manager	Norma Stacey
Office Clerk	Lacey Symes

Additions to the Agenda:

General Business	24.	Operational Review
	25.	Firehall- Drainage
	26.	FFFIF
	27.	Fortune United Church
	28.	Compensation for resident completing work for town

Additions to Agenda of August 4, 2014

Mayor Penwell asked for approval of the additions to the agenda of the September 2, 2014 regular meeting.

Motion 2014-09-02-01 Curtis/Smith

Resolved that the additions to the September 2, 2014 agenda for a regular meeting of council be adopted as presented.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
 Deputy Mayor C. Parsons
 Councillors: L. Curtis, Y. Harris, D. Holloway, P. Parsons & F. Smith

Opposed: 0.

Motion carried.



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Regular Meeting of August 4, 2014

Mayor Penwell asked if there were any errors or omissions to the minutes of the regular meeting of August 4, 2014 as presented.

Motion 2014-09-02-02 Deputy Parsons/Parsons

Resolved that the minutes of regular meeting of council be adopted as circulated.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Deputy Mayor C. Parsons
Councillors: L. Curtis, Y. Harris, D. Holloway, P. Parsons & F. Smith

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

Delegation/Guests: Maurice Pittman 9:00 a.m

One of the reasons Mr. Pittman came to council meeting to discuss what his neighbor is planning on doing with their property. Mr. Pittman said he had spoken with his neighbor and he stated he wasn't sure what he was planning on doing with his property, whether it was parking, building, etc..

Mr. Pittman heard that his neighbor didn't have a permit from the town to do any construction/business on the land.

Council assured Mr. Pittman that a permit needs to be approved before anything can be done. Mr. Pittman asked council if they would be able to advise him when something does come in for a permit.

Mr. Pittman also came to council to ask if council would consider snowclearing on Tobacco Road. Mr. Pittman advised council that if there was snowclearing in Tobacco Road himself along with a few other residents would move into Tobacco Road permanently.

Council advised Mr. Pittman that if they so happened to do the snowclearing on Tobacco Road it would have to be done after the town roads & Hornhouse Road.



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Delegation/Guests: Maurice Pittman 9:00 a.m Continued..

Council asked Mr. Pittman to find out approximately how many people would be interested in living in Tobacco Road permanently if the town done the snowclearing in there and this matter will be added for a further meeting.

Council thanked Mr. Pittman for coming to the council meeting & he left at 9:27 a.m.

General Business

1. 2015 Capital Works Program- deadline for applications October 17, 2014

Town Manager Stacey advised council that the deadline for the 2015 Capital Works Program is October 17, 2014 and she is going on vacation from September 27th to October 9th so therefore the application needs to be done ASAP.

Town Manager Stacey to email the Capital Works Application List from last year to councillors.

Town Manager Stacey to see if the arena floor can be put on the capital works list, even if it can't go under the capital works application have the information ready to go for any upcoming applications. Town Manager Stacey to ask Keith Bartlett to update the council on the arena floor status.

2. Parking

(a) Bayview Street, Eldon Street & Temple Street

The parking on Bayview is causing a few problems regarding safety. Customers are parking on the road to stop into the ferry office, rights of way zones are being blocked and vehicles are being parked 6ft in front of a resident's living room window.

The customers parking on Eldon Street are parked on the neighbour property boundary; therefore customers are stepping onto the resident's property to gain access to their trunks. The vehicles that are parked are at high risk of getting struck when lawn mowing and rocks from the parking lot have been going onto the lawn of the neighbour.

The Town of Fortune has not received any business permit applications or any permit applications for parking from this resident.



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2. Parking

(a) Bayview Street, Eldon Street & Temple Street Continued..

Motion 2014-09-02-03 Smith/Harris

Resolved to send a letter to the resident stating that until a business permit application is received from them and approved from council there will be no overnight parking permitted.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
 Deputy Mayor C. Parsons
 Councillors: L. Curtis, Y. Harris, D. Holloway, P. Parsons & F. Smith

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

(b) Resident concern- re: garbage

The town received a letter from a resident living next to the parking going ahead on Eldon Street. The letter stated that this was the second lot of garbage they had to pick up in the last two days from garbage being placed in their yard from the customers parking on Eldon Street.

Town Manager Stacey to write the owner stating we received a complaint regarding garbage and give the resident a time frame to clean up the garbage and if it isn't cleaned up by the time frame the outside workers will clean up the garbage and the resident will be charged for cost incurred.

Town Manager Stacey to notify the resident who had the concern about the garbage and let them know the town has written a letter to his neighbour.

3. Call for tender- Lake & Elford Street

Town Manager Stacey to write Bae NewPlan and let them know we are still expecting the project to be done by the Fall.

Councillor Smith left the council meeting in conflict of interest at 9:55 a.m.



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4. Muscular Dystrophy Canada- Donation

\$25.00 was donated last year to Muscular Dystrophy Canada.

Motion 2014-09-02-04 Holloway/Curtis

Resolved to donate the same amount as last year to Muscular Dystrophy Canada.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
 Deputy Mayor C. Parsons
 Councillors: L. Curtis, Y. Harris, D. Holloway & P. Parsons

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

Councillor Smith returned to the council meeting at 9:58 a.m.

5. Arena Boardroom Bar

Councillor Curtis brought to council's attention that the space for the arena boardroom bar is extremely narrow. Councillor Curtis brought forward the idea of opening up the referee room and using that space for the bar and moving the referee room to the St. John Ambulance space.

Motion 2014-09-02-05 Curtis/Smith

Resolved to agree to the concept and explore the possibility of enlarging the bar area and moving the referee room.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
 Deputy Mayor C. Parsons
 Councillors: L. Curtis, Y. Harris, D. Holloway, P. Parsons & F. Smith

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

Town Manager Stacey to check with Arena Manager Barnes and see if he has a recreational liquor license.



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6 a) Water Supply & Regulations

Town Manager Stacey advised council that the water supply went up about three inches after the rain we had.

Town Manager Stacey to call Clearwater and see if they are on the line.

Office Clerk Symes to send out a mass email for a reminder to residents that the water ban is still in effect.

b) Computerized System

Town Manager Stacey advised council that we used to be able to go online and see how much water was going through the system, however it hasn't worked in months, the town can't login.

Town Manager Stacey to contact Cahill and see if we can get this issue resolved.

Set up a water committee meeting for sometime in September, see if the committee members in Grand Bank are available to meet September 18th, anytime of the day is good for the Fortune committee members.

7. Gas Tax Agreement

Agreement needs to be signed.

Nothing is planned for the 1st year's money- have a look for next council meeting.

8. Complaint- ATV's

The town has received several complaints regarding ATV's around town. ATV's seem to be speeding on town streets.

Office Clerk Symes to send out a mass email and put in insert in the Fortune Teller with the rules and regulations for ATV use and to advise residents that should violations continue, the Town will have no other choice but to reconsider the ATV regulations.

9. BBQ- Blue Crest Home

There are two available dates for September to sponsor a BBQ, September 5th or September 12th.

Council decided that September 12th would be the best date.

Town Manager Stacey to find out how much it would cost to sponsor the BBQ. Office Clerk Symes to send out a mass email advising residents of the BBQ.

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10. Update- Robere Property

Town Manager Stacey wanted to update council on the matter regarding the Robere property.

The town's adjuster was here and has spoken to the Robere's; he has sent the documents to the insurance company and should hear something back within a couple of weeks.

Town Manager Stacey to follow up with the town's adjuster.

11. Tyco- annual increase- burglar/fire alarm system

For councillor's information.

12. Travel Claim Approvals

Two travel claims awaiting approval.

- Arena Manager Barnes- travel claim for travel to and from Marystown for the arena project.
- Fire Department- travel, meals, wage loss & hotel for convention.

Motion 2014-09-02-06 Parsons/Deputy Parsons

Resolved to approve the two travel claims.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
 Deputy Mayor C. Parsons
 Councillors: L. Curtis, Y. Harris, D. Holloway, P. Parsons & F. Smith

Opposed: 0.

Motion carried.

13. Alzheimer's Society

Not enough employees to take part.



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14. Burin Peninsula Chamber of Commerce- Adopt-A-Spot Program

Sent out an email to clarify a few points concerning the Adopt-A-Spot program that was previously sent.

Office workers to find out who is taking care of each adopt-a-spot, whoever is doing them deserves to be recognized.

15. Update on land re: harbour development west side

Mr. Rose advised Town Manager Stacey that they have previously found out that the parcel of land they were interested in is granted land, there are people identified as possible ancestors, he has heard back from a few who said they were fine with the harbour authority developing the land.

16. Poll Tax Exemption Forms

Poll Tax Exemption Form (rent to own agreement) & a deferred payment form

Motion 2014-09-02-07 Smith/Curtis

Resolved to approve the poll tax exemption form & the deferred payment form.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
 Deputy Mayor C. Parsons
Councillors: L. Curtis, Y. Harris, D. Holloway, P. Parsons & F. Smith

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

17. Dumping- Forest Road

Received a call from a resident saying someone keeps dumping garbage in the same area on the Graveyard Road. The resident was wondering if they were able to put a camera in the tree next to place where someone keeps dumping garbage.

Council had no issues with this request.

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18. Arena rates- 2014-2015 season

Arena Manager Barnes inquired if any rates are going up this year; he thinks the birthday party rate is too low.

Motion 2014-09-02-08 Smith/Harris

Resolved to raise the birthday party rate to \$100.00 + extra \$35.00 fee if the lunch room is not cleaned up.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
 Deputy Mayor C. Parsons
Councillors: L. Curtis, Y. Harris, D. Holloway, P. Parsons & F. Smith

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

19. Grand Bank Come Home Year- request to rent Arena- August 8, 2015

Council felt that there is not enough time to set up for our own Come Home Year if we rented the arena on August 8, 2015.

20. Skateboard Park

Town Manager Stacey sent a photo of our multipurpose field to Josh Willis from the skateboard company we are in contact with.

Town Manager Stacey to email Mr. Willis and let him know we are working with approximately \$30, 000.00 and ask him to send us some options/descriptions within that range.

21. Animal Control

Town Manager Stacey advised council that our animal control building is not up to par to what it supposed to be. It's fine if we just catch and hold an animal; however we would not be able to keep an animal overnight.

Town Manager Stacey to find out what we would need to fix the building to be able to keep animals overnight and how much it would cost.



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22. Community Center

Item to be discussed in privileged meeting.

23. Burin Peninsula Voice Against Violence- "Take Back the Night"- September 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m- Grand Bank Municipal Center

Office Clerk Symes to email councillors the day before to remind them of this event.

24. Operational Review

Meeting scheduled for September 17th at 6:00 p.m.

25. Firehall- drainage

Councillor Holloway brought to council's attention that the drain is not completed under the firehall and there are wires hanging down under the building.

Due to a number of employees on vacation they were planning on finishing up when all of the outside employees were back in the early part of September.

26. FFFIF

Councillor Smith advised council that the Town had set aside \$5000.00 for the Feller From Fortune International Festival, the festival went good and had money left over so therefore the FFFIF gave the \$5000.00 back to the Town.

Since the FFFIF Committee gave back the \$5000.00 set aside for the festival it was suggested for the Town to donate \$5000.00 to the Come Home Year Committee.

Motion 2014-09-02-09 Deputy Parsons/Parsons

Resolved to donate \$5000.00 to the Come Home Year Committee.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Deputy Mayor C. Parsons
Councillors: L. Curtis, Y. Harris, D. Holloway, P. Parsons & F. Smith

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

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27. Fortune United Church

The Fortune United Church's 200th Anniversary is October 2014; they are making a souvenir book and were wondering if the town would like to show their support.

Motion 2014-09-02-10 Deputy Parsons/Smith

Resolved to show the town's support by putting a full page document in the souvenir book for \$75.00

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Deputy Mayor C. Parsons
Councillors: L. Curtis, Y. Harris, D. Holloway, P. Parsons & F. Smith

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

28. Compensation for resident completing work for town

Town Manager Stacey advised council that Mr. Lake removed a beaver house that was at the reservoir.

Motion 2014-09-02-11 Smith/Curtis

Resolved to pay Mr. Lake a sum of \$200.00 for removing the beaver house from the reservoir and send a thank you letter.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Deputy Mayor C. Parsons
Councillors: L. Curtis, Y. Harris, D. Holloway, P. Parsons & F. Smith

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.



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COUNCILLORS FORUM

Deputy Mayor Parsons

●By the Bridges Tea Room/Dockside B & B there always seems to be water lodged there, with the amount of pedestrian traffic in that area it needs to be seen to.

Work Foreman Thornhill to take a look, may need to be another catch basin installed.

●Wondering about a financial update

Town Manager Stacey and Town Clerk Buffett are currently working on this.

●Speeding Signs- Garnish

Wondering if we received any information regarding the where/how much the speeding signs are in Garnish.

Office Workers to follow up with Garnish Town Office again.

●Casual Worker

Date of lay off. Worker is required to have one week notice before lay off date.

Councillor Curtis

●Asked when the next OHS report is due to council

An OHS inspection was done last month; office staff will send a copy to the councillors.

Councillor Parsons

●One way street sign & "new" sign

The "one way street" sign and the "new" sign that was put up on Forest Rd/Benson Street is very small.

Council suggested getting a new sign that is the standard size for all signs.

Contact the school board and see if the "bus parking" sign can be changed to "student drop off"



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COUNCILLORS FORUM CONTINUED..

Councillor Parsons Continued..

- Warm up session

Follow up with Fire Dept regarding this matter and deal with at the next council meeting.

PERMITS

#099 Pushthrough Crescent Shed Ext
#103 Pinchmarsh Road Amended (Shed)

Motion 2014-09-02-12 Curtis/Smith

Resolved to approve permit #099 and #103 as presented.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Deputy Mayor C. Parsons
Councillors: L. Curtis, Y. Harris, D. Holloway, P. Parsons & F. Smith

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

Next Meeting Next regular meeting is scheduled for September 22, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

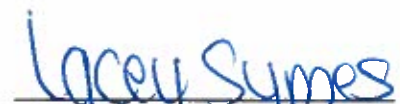
Adjournment Motion 2014-09-02-13 Smith/Curtis

Resolved to adjourn to privileged meeting at 11:31 a.m.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Deputy Mayor C. Parsons
Councillors: L. Curtis, Y. Harris, D. Holloway, P. Parsons & F. Smith

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.


Mayor Penwell


Office Clerk Symes