



# The Town of Fortune

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A regular meeting of the Fortune Town Council was held on Monday, November 19, 1990 at 7:00 pm. Members present were: Mayor Penwell, Deputy Mayor King, Councillors Collier, King, Thornhill Warren & Cooper

## Items arising from Minutes:

- (1) Fire Commissioners Office-letter received but it did not directly answer the question as to why groups and businesses were not notified of changes in regulations until such time as an inspection is done. It was agreed to further contact them about this matter.
- (2) Seminar on G.S.T.-The Town Manager said there was a good turn out and was very informative. He met with the group and discussed the Arena etc. We must collect G.S.T. on all ice rentals but the minor groups would be eligible for rebate. The Mayor suggested we should try to arrange a meeting with the Minor Hockey Association's to discuss the matter and pass on the information to them.
- (3) Door Firemen's Classroom-Fire Chief said it was within regulations while room is used for 50 people or less. He will write to Council on this matter.
- (4) Arena lights-the individuals have been written-no contact from either-Eric will do up cost of repairs.
- (5) No reply from Nfld Liquor Commission re store hours. Mayor requested a copy of our correspondence be sent to the Manager of the Grand Bank store as they had received some correspondence re same.

It was moved by Councillor Cooper, seconded by Councillor Collier the minutes be approved as presented. Motion carried.

Some corrections necessary to the minutes of the Special Meeting held on Friday November 16, 1990. Will be presented at next regular meeting.

## General Business:

1. Donation to Neighbourhood Watch-re Boyd Piercey's car. It was moved by Councillor King, seconded by Deputy Mayor King that we donate \$100.00 to this worthy cause. Motion carried.
2. No tender received on Ford Truck. Agreed to scrap it.
3. Tender Call-Turkey & Ham-It was moved by Councillor King, seconded by Councillor Thornhill we tender for the necessary number of Turkeys and Hams as in previous years. Motion carried.



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- (4) It was agreed to have the Annual Christmas Party on Friday December 14th at Central Restaurant. Pot Luck
- (5) The Works Superintendent reported to the Town Manager that the spillway culverts were deteriorated badly. It was agreed to have Bill Mills or Charlie Hodder look at the large ones that we have, to see if they can be used.

## Correspondence:

1. Letter Mr. Andrew Piercey-re flooding in the area. After some discussion it was moved by Deputy Mayor King, seconded by Councillor Cooper that we put in pipe as outlined by Town Manager at minimal cost. Motion carried.
2. Quarry Permit-RDN Construction. The company had finished work before the permit application was received. It was agreed to write to the Dept. of Mines stating our concern that permits must be issued before work is done.
3. Letter Canadian Mental Health re donation-use same procedure.
4. Memo from F.P.I. Ltd re plant shut down for 1 week. It is now back in operation. It was agreed to try and arrange a meeting with the local manager.
5. Letter from Gran-For-Line Association re a presentation in special needs.
6. Letter from Grand Bank Town Council re further reduction in Health Care Services at the Grand Bank Clinic-It was moved by Councillor Collier, seconded by Deputy Mayor King, that we write to Mr. Frank Crews stating our concern. Motion carried.
7. Report from Fire Chief re fire drills at Lake Academy & Fortune Collegiate, also copy of letter from Fortune Collegiate to Fire Chief re the correction of deficiencies.
8. Letter from the Minister of Municipal Affairs stating that no funds are available for cleaning the reservoir of the fresh water supply. Town Manager suggested we write back and try to impress upon the Minister the necessity of having the work done.
9. Status report from NewPlan Consultants re regional waste disposal site \$28,843.44 has been spent on the project to date.
10. Letter Minister of Municipal Affairs-asking Councils to delay finalization of their 1991 Budgets and Tax Structure until we receive further correspondence re the new grant system.



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11. Report from F.P.I. Ltd on M.V. Zagreb.
12. Letter from Reseau Pro Canada Network asking Councils to write the Federal Government to drop the G.S.T.
13. Copy of minutes of Burin Peninsula Tourism Association meeting- available to anyone.
14. Tourist establishment regulations on file for review.
15. Some information re Save Our Postal Service agreed to keep on file.
16. It was moved by Councillor Cooper, seconded by Councillor Thornhill we make the donation to Fortune Collegiate Scholarships as in previous years. Motion carried.
17. The Town Manager explained that we have a water leak near Frank Hillier on Eldon Street but unable to find exact location.
18. The Town Manager reported that Mr. D. Finch of Provincial Consultants Ltd and Mr. William R.D. Norbert, P. Eng. of WRD Norberg Associates Ltd., Mr. Samuel Cumby, Fortune Lions Club, visited the office on Friday, November 16, 1-90 re review of the Senior Citizens area on Brunette Avenue, water and sewer and vacant area for development. An on-site survey revealed that the site was excellent for further development.
19. Insurance Tender: The Town Manager reported that he had put together a tender package and outlined some of the details to Council which included a 5% increase on property value. It was moved by Councillor Thornhill, seconded by Councillor Cooper that we advertise in paper that the insurance tender package is available at the Town Office. Motion carried.
20. Invitation received for the Mayor or representation to attend the opening of the ECC office on Thursday November 22, 1990 at 10:30 am-Reddi Chief building, also to attend open house been held by the NTA branch of the Grand-For-Line Association at the Grand Bank Lions Den.

Bills were paid as follows:

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| South Coast Electronics Ltd.                  | \$ 51.27  |
| Technical Sales Ltd                           | 268.80    |
| Canadian Liquid Air Ltd                       | 26.66     |
| Nfld Mun. Fin. Corp.                          | 11,785.83 |
| Loveless Taxi                                 | 30.00     |
| N-1 Cable TV Ltd.                             | 15.60     |
| Richard Foote's Taxi                          | 10.00     |
| Nfld & Lab. Assoc. Fire Chiefs & Firefighters | 42.00     |
| C.L. Douglas & Son Ltd.                       | 340.00    |

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## Bills continued:

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| Q Radio                            | 140.40      |
| Grand Bank Town Council            | 1,800.29    |
| Eric Piercey                       | 72.77       |
| Emberley's Transport Ltd.          | 40.20       |
| Picco & White                      | 100.00      |
| Sameday Courier                    | 40.65       |
| Jacob Thornhill                    | 152.37      |
| Cinco                              | 1,897.42    |
| Lillians Fabrics                   | 12.15       |
| Hickman Equip. Ltd.                | 57.25       |
| Starlite Video                     | 69.33       |
| Waterworks Supplies                | 153.35      |
| Central Restaurant                 | 27.87       |
| Crane Supply                       | Rx 424.48   |
| Fishery Products Int.              | 1.08        |
| Hickman's Bldg. Center             | 73.92       |
| Dept. of Municipal Financing Corp. | 5,336.00    |
| Nfld Light & Power Co. Ltd.        | 5,701.58    |
| Lake & Lake Ltd.                   | 57.77       |
| Ultramar Canada Inc.               | 370.83      |
| Imperial Oil Ltd.                  | (17.15)     |
| Irving Oil Ltd.                    | 405.91      |
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| Total                              | \$29,488.63 |

It was moved by Councillor Cooper, seconded by Councillor King the bills be paid as read. Motion carried.

## Concerns:

Councillor Warren was concerned that the minutes of the previous meeting and the call for an audit indicated to the public that something was wrong at the office and suggested something should be done to set the record straight. Mayor Penwell read what he had said from the minutes and said the finance committee merely suggested that the report given by the Town Manager did not give the reason for our deficit.

Councillor Collier said this was all a pack of trash and that he took exception to the suggestion that fraud was suspected. Mayor Penwell said if we did not call the audit now, we would not have known the reason for the deficit and the error in the budget.

Mayor asked Councillor Warren if he was aware that the deficit was not because of over expenditure but because of lack of revenue. Councillor Warren replied that it was a bit of both. He then asked each Councillor in turn-all replied no. Mayor Penwell then said he at no time questioned the integrity or honesty of staff. He reported to Council that he had met with the outside workers re these rumors and clarified the situation with them.



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It was moved by Deputy Mayor King, seconded by Councillor Warren that a circular letter be done clarifying the situation to the Public. The Town Manager asked permission to speak. He said he had talked to Hedley who told him exactly the things he had suggested at the finance committee meeting also the figures that had been discussed and he requested that something be done to correct these rumors at once. Deputy Mayor King again spoke on his motion which was then put to Council by the Mayor. Motion carried.

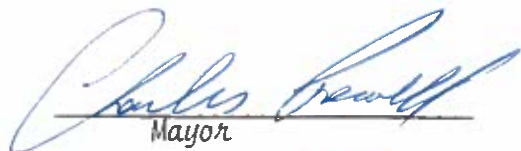
Mayor Penwell gave a report to Council re a meeting that he was invited to attend at Fortune Collegiate. Present were individuals from school, school board, social services, public health, R.C.M.P and others. The purpose was to discuss the problems being experienced with the youth of our community. This group formed a committee and would like to try and deal with some of the problems as an umbrella group of the Town. It was moved by Councillor Collier, seconded by Deputy Mayor King that we accept the sponsorship of this group. Motion carried.

As recommended by the auditor it was moved by Councillor Collier, seconded by Councillor King that we authorize the Town Manager to seek approval of the Minister to borrow \$75,000 for Capital Expenditure. Motion carried.

It was agreed to loan the St. Lawrence Curling Club two curling rocks for their bonspiel. Mr. Wm. Matthews will arrange to get them to St. Lawrence and returned.

Some discussion re Arena.

Moved by Deputy Mayor King, seconded by Councillor Collier the meeting adjourn at 10:15 pm.

  
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Mayor

  
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Town Manager Clerk