



# The Town of Fortune

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A regular meeting of the Fortune Town Council was held on Tuesday, October 13, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. with the following members in attendance: Mayor Charles Penwell, Deputy Mayor James Dunne, Councillors Levi Curtis, Joann Johnson, Patrick Parsons, and Frazer Smith.

## Additions to the Agenda:

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|------------------|-----|--------------------|
| General Business | 13. | Fire Dept.         |
|                  | 14. | Stop Signs         |
|                  | 15. | Pricing of Permits |
|                  | 16. | W/D Site           |
|                  | 17. | Don Rose's Shed    |
|                  | 18. | By-Election        |

**BE IT RESOLVED:** It was moved by Councillor Johnson and seconded by Councillor Curtis that the agenda be adopted as read with the additions. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

**BE IT RESOLVED:** It was moved by Deputy Mayor Dunne and seconded by Councillor Parsons that the September 28 and October 5, 2009 minutes be approved as read with the corrections. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

**DELEGATION/GUESTS:** 7:15 p.m. Figure Skating Club

Mayor Penwell welcomed the Cutting Edge Figure Skating Club President Terry Stacey and Vice-President Beverley Strowbridge to the meeting.

President Stacey gave council an update on their club's activities and objectives/goals.

There were several issues raised by the figure skating club and they are follows:

1. Opening the arena earlier than scheduled and keeping it open later than scheduled:
  - their club is at a disadvantage with the arena opening up so late in the year;
  - their club will be missing out on two competitions this fall because they cannot get ice time to practice;
  - Easter falls early in April in 2010 which causes them to loose ice time because the arena usually shuts down after Easter week.

Mayor Penwell explained to the figure skating club representatives that it takes approximately 2 weeks to get the ice down and at this late stage the most the arena could be open earlier is by 1 week.

The figure skating club representatives were also informed that the arena runs a deficit every year, which in turn cost taxpayers money. The office staff was asked to do a cost analysis on the arena operations and council will review before making a decision on opening the arena earlier and/or keeping it open later.



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2. Condition of Zamboni - What is being done in repairs/maintenance:

- concern expressed about the condition of the zamboni and loss of ice time if zamboni breaks down.

The figure skating club representatives were advised that the zamboni is undergoing an overhaul. Also they were informed that Saunders Equipment has a mechanic who will be coming in November to inspect the zamboni.

3. Project - Arena - Dehumidifier and Matting

The figure skating club representatives were informed that the Federal Government share of funding has been approved and still waiting for approval from the Provincial Government. It is hoped that there will be an announcement soon about the arena project.

Mayor Penwell thanked the figure skating club representatives for attending the meeting and that they will be informed when the decision is made in regard to opening/closing of the arena.

**DELEGATION/GUESTS: 7:45 p.m. Fortune ATV Trail Association**

Mayor Penwell welcomed the Fortune ATV Trail Association representatives Jacob Thornhill and William Butt to the meeting.

1. Mr. Thornhill informed council that their association is trying to improve the use of atv's and a multi-purpose trail system. There was discussion about ATV operators using the Dam Road to access the North West Pond Trail. The ATV Trail Association proposes to use the existing pipe line trail to the area adjacent to Gaptons Knob and then excavate a trail to join into North West Pond Trail and direct all ATV traffic away from the water shed areas which includes brooks/streams running into the inside reservoir. Approval for excavation work to connect the two trails would have to come from the Water Division, Dept. of Environment and any other regulatory departments including council.

**Council did agree with this proposal pending approval from all other regulatory government departments associated with this proposal.**

There are a lot of places on the trails that are in need of repairs/maintenance. The ATV trail association wants to work with council to develop/improve trails with the installation of proper signage, etc., for the enjoyment of both off road vehicles and walkers. It was also suggested that the ATV trail association, Council and the RCMP work together to continue to make our trail system safe by adhering to the regulations governing the trail system.



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2. Mr. Thornhill informed council that funding for ATV trails is not as accessible unless in association with multi-purpose trails. The ATV Association would like to include the town's Horsebrook Walking Trail in their group of multi-purpose trails with the condition that the Horsebrook Walking Trail would not be converted to an ATV trail. The ATV Trail Association would like to apply for funding to improve their trails which would include the Horsebrook Walking Trail. A portion of the funding would be allocated to make improvement to the existing walkways and bridges located on the trail which often gets dislodged during high water and ice. If necessary, certain sections may be removed during the winter season to prevent the dislodging and/or damage.

**Council did agree to include the Horsebrook Walking Trail as part of the ATV Association's Multi-Purpose Trail system with the condition that the Horsebrook Walking Trail must remain as a walking trail and that the town remains custodian of the trail. The ATV Association would look out to the trail. Also, the ATV Association must keep Council advised in writing as to any proposed work to be done to the trail.**

3. ATV usage was discussed on Hornhouse Road. Apparently there are several ATV users that speed up and down Hornhouse Road in which they are endangering the residents in the area and general public that drive in the area. Some ATV users are even driving without their headlights on. This is a difficult problem to resolve but everyone working together should help lessen this problem.

It was mentioned that the bridge on Hornhouse Road doesn't have signage to make the public aware that it is a narrow bridge. Council to install signs before each end of the bridge and reflectors but on each end of bridge to make the public aware of the narrow bridge and its location.

Hornhouse Road was constructed has an access road to the Fortune Head light station by the Dept. of Fisheries & Oceans (Coast Guard Branch). This road is still under the control of that department. The Town of Fortune does carry out maintenance on the road because there are several residents living on the road. The amount of maintenance done on the road depends on the town's resources.

**Council recognizes that concerns expressed by the ATV Association regarding ATV and pedestrian safety, speed control, etc are valid. The Town of Fortune will work with the ATV Association, and the RCMP to make an effort to improve those conditions, providing that the improvements are under the town's authority to control.**

Mayor Penwell thanked the Fortune ATV Trails Association representatives for attending the meeting and that they will be written concerning council's decision about the issues raised at this meeting.



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## BUSINESS ARISING:

### 1. Harbour Authority - Street Section

Town Clerk Stacey contact Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador about ownership and they would need more information which in turn will cost more.

Need to meet with the Fortune Harbour Authority and discuss maintenance in this area.

### 2. Fair Isle Motel

Town Clerk Stacey informed Council that the time is up concerning the order posted on the Fair Isle Motel property. Need to find out what is the next process of moving on to get the dilapidated building removed and property cleaned up. Town Clerk Stacey to contact Picco & White about this matter.

**Be It Resolved:** It was moved by Councillor Curtis and seconded by Councillor Parsons that (1) the Town write the Bank of Nova Scotia and inform them if they hold the mortgage to the Fair Isle property then they are partly responsible for the condition of the Fair Isle property and removal of the dilapidated building and clean up as the order for demolition is now up; (2) the town ask for proposals for demolition of the Fair Isle property. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

### 3. ICSP Quote - Bae NewPlan

ICSP quote received from Bae NewPlan.

Need to put together a comparative analysis from all quotes received for next meeting.

### 4. OCI - Planned Meeting

Nothing further to report. Would like to include our MHA, Darin King and representatives from the Fortune Harbour Authority.

### 5. Road to Reservoir

Grand Bank Town Manager Bolt informed Town Clerk Stacey that there is extra funding under Phase 2 of their water project to help with the repairs/maintenance of Dam Road.

### 6. Graffiti Fortune Head

Nothing further to report.



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7. Transfer Agreement Wal Ber Lee Inn

This agreement is not signed yet by Mr. Parsons.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

1. Ice Rental - Friday nights for Minor Hockey

A request was submitted by the Minor Hockey Association for ice rental on Friday nights.

Council was in agreement to their proposal.

2. Wooden Boat Museum

- Membership Renewal

**Be It Resolved:** It was moved by Deputy Mayor Dunne and seconded by Councillor Johnson that the membership for the Wooden Boat Museum be renewed at a cost of \$20.00. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

- Land & Sea Program, October 18, 2009 at 12:30 p.m.

Information

3. CAMA/CUPE Workshop, St. John's, November 2, 2009

Information

4. CBDC Invitation to Social, October 20, 2009

Councillors to let office staff know if they can attend.

5. Municipal Assessment Agency - Call for Nominations - Eastern Director

If any councillor is interested in being nominated, they are to let office staff know.



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6. MNL Resolution Deadline - October 23, 2009

**Be It Resolved:** If was moved by Councillor Curtis and seconded by Councillor Smith that a resolution be made that in the event of a tie of election for mayor that other options be explored including a possible revote to select mayor instead of drawing a name. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

7. MMSB Waste Reduction Week

October 19 to 25, 2009 - Information

8. Schooner Development Board AGM, October 28, 2009

Councillors to let office staff know if they can attend.

9. TRIO Insurance for Firefighters

Pass along this information to the Fire Department.

Our firefighters already have insurance while on the job.

10. Five Year Capital Works

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Have to be submitted by October 21, 2009

List of priorities as per council's review:

1. Lake Street, Elford Street, Lower Springhill Road and Lower Temple Street (W&S)
2. Snooks Road & Snooks Road Extension (if ownly pavement resurfacing) then include Collier Place, Noseworthy Place and Lafosse Lane (W&S)
3. Sunset Cresent, Miles Road and Hayter Street (W&S)
4. Collier Place, Noseworthy Place and Lafosse Lane (if not done with Snook's Road and Snook's Road Extension). Gaultois Place and Bunkerhill Road (W&S) to be done if Collier Place, Noseworthy Place and Lafosse Lane done with Snooks Road and Snook's Road Extension.
5. Eldon Street (W&S)  
\*Hornhouse Road to be listed last\*

Ask town engineer, Jason Rideout to look at linking Brookfield Road and Dixon Street.

It was discussed to apply for 90/10 funding to get the arena done with new siding.



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## 11. Staff

Office Clerk Hillier asked for a leave of absence for the period of October 27 to November 3, 2009 to attend Supreme Court for her trial concerning her accident.

**Be It Resolved:** It was moved by Councillor Parsons and seconded by Deputy Mayor Dunne that Office Clerk Hillier be granted a leave of absence with pay to attend her trial and bank hours. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

## 12. Christmas Party

Check with workers to see if Friday, December 11, 2009 is okay.

## 13. Fire Dept.

The Fire Dept. would like to have their hall cleaned once per month.

It was suggested that they charge users a fee for rental, whereby a cleaning person could be hired to clean their hall.

**Be It Resolved:** It was moved by Deputy Mayor Dunne and seconded by Councillor Parsons that the town would apply for 90/10 funding to purchase new bunker suits for the Fire Department. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

## 14. Stop Signs

There was concern raised about the location of the stop sign on the intersection of Bunkerhill Road and Temple Street. There is suppose to be a line there with the writing "please stop on white line".

There is a bus shelter on Logwood Road that hides the stop sign. A sign should be put up before the bus shelter indicating "stop sign ahead".

Apparently there is another location on Outer Drive where the stop sign is hidden by a bus shelter as well. Need to erect a post to put stop sign up before bus shelter indicating "stop sign ahead".



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## 15. Pricing of Permits

This issue will be discussed when budget be prepared for the year 2010.

Check with other towns to see what they are charging for their building permits.

## 16. W/D Site

Extension for permit to burn expires on October 31, 2009.

There was a meeting at the Town of Grand Bank on Tuesday afternoon at 3:00 p.m to discuss the W/D Site. In attendance there were government officials (Municipal Affairs and Environment), representative from Bae NewPlan, members from both councils and representative of the Regional Waste Disposal Site Committee.

Discussions were held on moving forward with landfilling after the deadline has passed for burning. It was discussed to ask for another extension to burn in the incinerator to the end of November 2009. Currently there are two holes dug for open pit burning but the W/D Site cannot go back to open pit burning. There is not a permit issued for open pit burning.

There were discussions concerning the availability of funding for capital expenditures (fencing/tracavator). If no other town come on board at the Grand Bank W/D Site then there will not be any funding for capital expenditures.

It will cost approximately \$57.00 per household to convert to landfill.

Town Clerk Stacey showed the Mayor pictures taken at the W/D Site taken on October 23, 2009. The incinerator is in really bad shape and should not be used anymore for burning. Also it is unsafe to clean the incinerator out due to its poor condition. An excavator was at the site and tried to clean out the incinerator but the arm could not maneuver property to clean the incinerator out.

**Be It Resolved:** It was moved by Councillor Smith and seconded by Councillor Johnson that the W/D Site committee request a one month extension to convert to landfill and the request be written on the Fortune/Grand Bank W/D Site letterhead. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.





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17. Don Rose's Shed

Town Clerk Stacey to contact Mr. Rose in writing to remind him about replacing his longers and that he has until the end of November 2009 to do so.

18. By-Election

Town Clerk Stacey to contact Councillor Wright to see if he would like to resign earlier. If Councillor Wright does resign, then a date can be selected for nominations in a By-Election later this year.

## CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Infonotes - September 25 and October 2, 2009

Information

2. Heritage Run Association

Information

3. Hockey Canada

Information

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4. Grand Bank Theatre Festival

Information

5. Wooden Boat News

Information

## BILLS:

To be reviewed at next meeting.



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## ADJOURNMENT:

**Be It Resolved:** It was moved by Deputy Mayor Dunne and seconded by Councillor Smith that the meeting adjourn at 11:00 p.m. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

  
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Mayor

  
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Office Clerk



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## AGENDA

Council Meeting  
Tuesday, October 13, 2009

Adoption of Agenda

Adoption of Minutes: September 28 & October 5, 2009

**DELEGATION/GUESTS:** 7:15 p.m. Minor Hockey Association & Figure Skating Club  
7:30 p.m. Fortune Atv Trail Association

### BUSINESS ARISING:

1. Harbour Authority-street section
2. Fair Isle Motel
3. ICSP Quote-Bae-NewPlan
4. OCI meeting
5. Road to Reservoir
6. Graffiti Fortune Head
7. Transfer Agreement Wal Ber Lee Inn line

### GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Ice Rental-Friday nights for Minor Hockey
2. Wooden Boat Museum-Membership Renewal  
-Land & Sea Program Oct. 18, 2009 12:30 p.m.
3. CAMA/CUPE workshop St. John's, November 2, 2009
4. CBDC Invitation to social October 20, 2009



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11. Staff
12. Christmas Party

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## **BILLS**

## **PERMITS:**

1. Bridges Employment Corp.                      Horse Brook Park                      Ext. to Bldg.