



The Town of Fortune

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AGENDA
Council Meeting
May 2, 2016
6:30 p.m.

Additions to Agenda

Adoption of Minutes: April 18, 2016

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Grand Bank Water Agreement
2. Tax Incentive for Businesses
3. Land- Royal Canadian Legion
4. Heritage Run- AGM
5. Community Clean Up
6. Crown Lands Application
7. Invitations
 - United Church 50th Anniversary
 - Sea Cadets ACR
8. Provincial Budget

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Fortune ATV Association
2. MS Walk
3. Burin Peninsula SPCA
4. Burin Peninsula Ground Search & Rescue
5. Remember the Fallen
6. Burin Peninsula Health Care Foundation Radio-thon
7. Grand Bank Regional Theatre

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Minutes of a regular meeting of council
Of the Town of Fortune, held at the
Fortune Municipal Center,
May 2, 2016

Members Present

Mayor Charles Penwell (via telephone)
Deputy Mayor Deputy Mayor Smith (Chair meeting)

Councillors: Dave Holloway
James Dunne
Patrick Parsons

Also Present

Chief Administrative Officer Corey Parsons
Office Clerk Lacey Symes

Additions/Adoption of Agenda of May 2, 2016

Deputy Mayor Smith asked if there were any additions to the agenda & approval of the April 18, 2016 agenda.

9. Arena Canteen

Motion 2016-05-02-01 Councillor Parsons/Councillor Holloway

Resolved that the agenda with the additions of May 2, 2016 be adopted as presented.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Deputy Mayor F. Smith
Councillors: D. Holloway, J. Dunne & P. Parsons

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.



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Adoption of Minutes, April 18, 2016

Deputy Mayor Smith asked if there were any errors or omissions to the minutes of the regular meeting of April 18, 2016 as presented.

Motion 2016-05-02-02 Councillor Dunne/Councillor Holloway

Resolved to adopt the minutes of the regular council meeting of April 18, 2016.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
 Deputy Mayor F. Smith
 Councillors: D. Holloway, J. Dunne & P. Parsons

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

Delegation/Guests Harbour Authority 6:30 p.m.

Kerry Keeping & Aubrey Wells attending the council meeting on behalf of the Fortune Harbour Authority.

Council welcomed Mr. Keeping & Mr. Wells to the council meeting.

Mr. Keeping & Mr. Wells attending the council meeting to discuss their municipal tax invoice. This specific tax invoice has been discussed in two council meetings prior.

The Fortune Harbour Authority, account # FORT.001 is charged three water fees at \$720.00 each in a total of \$2160.00 & property tax for two properties.

Mr. Wells stated that they are the only Harbour Authority within Canada that has to pay property tax.

Mr. Wells & Mr. Keeping asked council if they would revisit the taxes they are charged.

Council thanked Mr. Keeping & Mr. Wells for attending the council meeting on behalf of the Fortune Harbour Authority & advised them that council will revisit the municipal taxes they are charged but cannot make any promises that there will be any changes.

Mr. Keeping & Mr. Wells left the council meeting at 6:46 p.m.



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Delegation/Guests Harbour Authority 6:30 p.m. Continued..

Council discussed the municipal taxes charged to the Fortune Harbour Authority & came to the agreement to leave the invoice issued to the Fortune Harbour Authority as is.

Motion 2016-05-02-03 Councillor Parsons/Councillor Dunne

Resolved to leave the Fortune Harbour Authority acct # FORT.001 as is.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Deputy Mayor F. Smith
Councillors: D. Holloway, J. Dunne & P. Parsons

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

1. Grand Bank Water Tax Agreement

CAO Parsons advised council that the Water Committee met the week before last.

The Town of Grand Bank agreed to pay monthly payments & to pay the outstanding payments, however it was requested to adjust the maintenance fee for the water that was charged the two months that Grand Bank was shut off because of the low water level. The actual water fee for those two months was previously adjusted; this is the maintenance fee for these months.

$\$375.00 \text{ maintenance fee/month} \times 2 \text{ months} = \750.00

Motion 2016-05-02-04 Councillor Holloway/Councillor Dunne

Resolved to adjust the water maintenance fee in the total amount of \$750.00 charged to the Town of Grand Bank.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Deputy Mayor F. Smith
Councillors: D. Holloway, J. Dunne & P. Parsons

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.



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2. Tax Incentive for Businesses

CAO Parsons stated that he has had a couple conversations with potential businesses thinking of conducting business within the Town of Fortune & they had asked if there were any tax incentives for businesses.

Council discussed this matter & agreed to relook at this at a different time.

3. Land- Royal Canadian Legion

Received a letter from The Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 25, Fortune giving the parcel of land they own located on 38 Forest Road to the Town of Fortune.

Motion 2016-05-02-05 Councillor Parsons/Councillor Dunne

Resolved to accept the land from the Fortune Royal Canadian Legion, it will be responsibility of the Fortune Royal Canadian Legion to pay for any costs incurred for the paperwork.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
 Deputy Mayor F. Smith
 Councillors: D. Holloway, J. Dunne & P. Parsons

Opposed: 0.

Motion carried.

Councillor Holloway left the council meeting at 7:05 p.m. due to a conflict of interest

January 11, 2016 council meeting correspondence from Mr. Jacob Thornhill was discussed. Mr. Thornhill wrote a letter to the Town of Fortune stating that two parcels of land he currently owns on Forest Road cannot be developed at a reasonable cost and felt that the land should be re classified as non-use land for taxation purposes. Mr. Thornhill requested council's consideration to have the parcels of land re-classified as non-use land and be exempt from municipal taxation.

Mr. Thornhill also included that if the transfer of ownership of the parcels of land to Council would be of any assistance or benefit which would enable council to finalize the decision, he is prepared at his cost to provide the necessary documents to transfer the title of the parcels of land for a price of \$1.00.

Council discussed this matter again.



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Motion 2016-05-02-06 Councillor Dunne/Councillor Parsons

Resolved to accept the land from the Mr. Thornhill located on Forest Road.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
 Deputy Mayor F. Smith
 Councillors: J. Dunne & P. Parsons

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

Councillor Holloway returned to the council meeting at 7:07 p.m.

4. Heritage Run AGM

The Heritage Run Tourism Association will be holding its annual general meeting & election of officers Thursday, May 26th, 2016.

Dinner & the meeting with will held at the Stage Head Café at 7:00 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Smith as agreed to attend the Heritage Run's AGM on May 26th, 2016.

5. Community Clean-up week

CAO Parsons has been planning a spring clean up for the Town of Fortune.

CAO Parsons advised council that we can bring garbage to the waste disposal site at no charge throughout the spring clean up week.

It was a consensus of council to have the spring clean up week the week of May 16th-20th.



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6. Crown Lands Application

Received a crown lands application for on the end of Lamaline Highway.

Motion 2016-05-02-07 Councillor Holloway/Councillor Dunne

Resolved to approve the crown lands application for Lamaline Highway based on approval from all other regulatory departments.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
 Deputy Mayor F. Smith
 Councillors: D. Holloway, J. Dunne & P. Parsons

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

7. Invitations

United Church 50th Anniversary

Celebration Dinner, May 14th, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.
Worship Service Celebration, May 15th, 2016 at 11:00 a.m.

Mayor Penwell is available to attend the Worship Service Celebration on May 15th, however unable to attend the celebration dinner on May 14th.

CAO Parsons/Office Clerk Symes will send out to council to see who is available to attend the celebration dinner on May 14th.

RCSCC 290 Sir Humphrey Gilbert

Annual Ceremonial Review, May 14th, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. at Lake Academy
Reception to follow at Royal Canadian Legion

Send email to councillors to see who is available to attend.

JBHS Prom

May 7th, 2016 at JBHS gymnasium
Mayor Penwell will be attending the JBHS Prom on May 7th, 2016.



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7. Invitations Continued..

Grand for Line Supper, Grand Bank Lions Club at 7:00 p.m.

Email to councillors.

8. Provincial Budget

CAO Parsons advised council that with the new provincial budget it will cost the town approximately an additional \$6000.00 increase for insurance & an additional \$2900.00 for fuel.

Council discussed the library closure, the impact the multi-grading will have on students & the supreme court closing in Grand Bank.

There will be a demonstration at the court house on Wednesday, May 4th at 11:00 a.m., Deputy Mayor Smith will be attending.

9. Arena Canteen

Last year the United Towns Minor Hockey paid the Town of Fortune a fee of \$2500.00 to use the canteen.

Council discussed this matter.

Motion 2016-05-02-08 Councillor Holloway/Councillor Dunne

Resolved to charge United Towns Minor Hockey a fee of \$3000.00 to use the arena canteen this coming hockey season.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
 Deputy Mayor F. Smith
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Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.



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9. Arena Canteen Continued...

Rate of ice for special events

Council had a discussion regarding the rate of ice during special events such as the ice show or Easter tournaments.

Motion 2016-05-02-09 Councillor Dunne /Councillor Parsons

Resolved to charge the prime time rate for any organization anytime the arena is being used & admission is being charged on the door.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
 Deputy Mayor F. Smith
 Councillors: D. Holloway, J. Dunne & P. Parsons

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Fortune ATV Association

Looking for donations to erect a shed to store the ATV Association's equipment, tools, etc.

Council agreed to not donate at this time, the town has been providing a lot of services to the ATV Association lately.

2. MS WALK

Council decided to not donate at this time.

3. Burin Peninsula SPCA

Council decided to not donate at this time.



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4. Burin Peninsula Ground Search & Rescue

Motion 2016-05-02-10 Councillor Dunne /Mayor Penwell

Resolved to donate \$100.00 to the Burin Peninsula Ground Search & Rescue.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
 Deputy Mayor F. Smith
 Councillors: D. Holloway, J. Dunne & P. Parsons

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

5. Remember the Fallen

Council agreed to not donate at this time.

6. Burin Peninsula Health Care Foundation Radio-thon

Council agreed to not donate at this time.

7. Grand Bank Regional Theatre

Motion 2016-05-02-11 Mayor Penwell /Councillor Holloway

Resolved to donate \$200.00 to the Grand Bank Regional Theatre.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
 Deputy Mayor F. Smith
 Councillors: D. Holloway, J. Dunne & P. Parsons

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.



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26 Bayview Street Fence/Patio

Motion 2016-05-02-12 Councillor Dunne /Councillor Parsons

Resolved to approve the building permit for 26 Bayview Street based on approval from all other regulatory departments.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Deputy Mayor F. Smith
Councillors: D. Holloway, J. Dunne & P. Parsons

Opposed: 0.

COUNCILLORS FORUM

CAO Parsons

- Municipal Awareness Day is Wednesday, May 11th at 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., students will be coming from Lake Academy.
- The town's seasonal groundskeeper will be starting work again on Monday, May 9th.
- \$5000.00 was budgeted for a street sweeper, looking for approval to go to tender & see what prices we can get. It was a consensus of council for CAO Parsons to go to tender on a street sweeper and bring back the prices to council.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion 2016-05-02-113 Mayor Dunne /Councillor Holloway

Resolved to resolve the regular council meeting at 8:09 p.m.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Deputy Mayor F. Smith
Councillors: D. Holloway, J. Dunne & P. Parsons

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried


Deputy Mayor Smith


Office Clerk Symes