



The Town of Fortune

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AGENDA
Council Meeting
March 21, 2016
6:30 p.m.

Additions to Agenda

Adoption of Minutes: February 22, 2016

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Fortune ATV Association Request
2. Tax Request
3. OH&S Committee Members
4. Property- 42 Eldon Street
5. Municipal Statutory Responsibilities
6. By Election- Appointment of returning officer
7. Agenda for meetings with MP & MHA
8. Agenda for water committee meeting
9. United Church Land Request
10. Property Cleanups
11. Volunteer Week- April 10th-16th
12. Municipal Awareness Day- May 11th
13. Garage construction in residential areas
14. Poll Tax Exemption Requests

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Adoption of Minutes, February 22, 2016

Mayor Penwell asked if there were any errors or omissions to the minutes of the regular meeting of February 22, 2016 as presented.

Motion 2016-03-21-02 Deputy Mayor Smith/Councillor Parsons

Resolved to adopt the minutes of the regular council meeting of February 22, 2016.

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

General Business

1. Fortune ATV Association Request

Received two requests from the ATV Association

- Construct a shed to keep material, supplies & cart in, they are looking into building a 16 X 20 shed & is asking permission to build the shed in by the arena behind the bus shelter. The ATV Association committee isn't planning on putting siding or windows on the shed.
- To get exempted from property tax.

Council discussed the requests received from the ATV Association.

Council agreed for CAO Parsons to go back to the ATV Association to suggest building the shed behind the arena where the Recreation Commission trailers are. The shed would have to be presentable with siding & council is in agreement with the ATV Association not having to pay property tax.

CAO Parsons will report back to council after speaking with the ATV Association.

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2. Tax Request

•The town received a letter from Ideal Enterprises; Ideal Enterprises has been charged a \$2500.00 business tax fee as they are being classed as a fish buying company. Ideal Enterprises is stating that they are not a fish buying company, they are a company that offloads fish and sea products from harvesters that are selling to different companies, those companies pay the harvesters for their catch, not Ideal Enterprises.

In the letter Ideal Enterprises stated that there are other companies within the community that do the same type of work and are not being charged this same amount, they are being charged the minimum business tax of \$280.00.

Ideal Enterprises is asking for council's consideration into adjusting their business tax to the \$280.00 minimum.

Council discussed this matter.

Motion 2016-03-21-03

Deputy Mayor Smith/Councillor Parsons

Resolved to contact Ideal Enterprises & ask them for a list of companies they are offloading for & once the town has been in contact with the fish buying companies they will look into adjusting Ideal Enterprises business tax to the minimum business tax to \$280.00

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

•The Fortune Harbour Authority has contact CAO Parsons again & asked for council to reconsider the water rates they were charged for 2016.

Council discussed this matter & it was a consensus of council to stick with the tax structure and not adjust the water rates for 2016 for the Fortune Harbour Authority.



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3. OH&S Committee Members

Councillor Dunne & Councillor Holloway will be the new committee members for the Occupational Health & Safety Committee.

4. Property- 42 Eldon Street

A resident called the town office & said they heard roaring in their pipes and asked if the outside workers were able to go and take a look.

The public works employees went to 42 Eldon Street as per requested and determined that there was a leak inside the standpipe. The resident had contractors come in to fix the water leak & the contractors determined that there wasn't a leak inside the standpipe.

After further investigation the public works employees did find a water leak outside the standpipe.

The resident located on 42 Eldon Street is requesting the Town of Fortune pay for the cost of the contractors, Les Handrigan \$75.00 & Grand Bank Auto Inc \$197.75, total of \$272.75.

Motion 2016-03-21-04

Deputy Mayor Smith/Councillor Curtis

Resolved to pay the bill for the contractors in the total amount of \$272.75 & to repair the sods on 42 Eldon Street during the Spring.

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.



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5. Municipal Statutory Responsibilities

CAO Parsons advised council that the disclosure statements have to be filled out by all council members & CAO & filed annually by March 1st. Councillors will fill out the disclosure statements tonight & it will be filed ASAP.

CAO Parsons advised council that according to the Municipalities Act the Town Manager/Chief Administrative Officer must have spending limit authorities.

Motion 2016-03-21-04 Deputy Mayor Smith/Councillor Holloway

Resolved to approve CAO Parsons a \$2500.00 spending cap without asking council's permission as long as it falls under the budget.

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

6. By Election- Appointment of returning officer

Motion 2016-03-21-05 Deputy Mayor Smith/Councillor Parsons

Resolved to appoint CAO Parsons as returning officer.

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.



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7. Agenda for meetings with MP & MHA

For councillor's review & information.

8. Agenda for water committee meeting

For councillor's review & information.

9. United Church Land Request

A Representative from the United Church met with CAO Parsons & advised him that they are looking into expanding their graveyard.

Council discussed this matter & agreed that if the Town of Fortune owns the land next to the United Church graveyard the Town will hand it over to them.

CAO Parsons to check into if the Town of Fortune owns the land.

Motion 2016-03-21-06 Deputy Mayor Smith/Councillor Dunne

Resolved to donate the land next to the graveyard to the United Church if the Town of Fortune owns the parcel of land.

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.



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10. Property Cleanups

CAO Parsons advised council that there about ten properties determined that is in need of cleanup.

Letters will be sent to the residents advising them that they have 30 days to clean up their property or the town's employees will clean up their property and they will be billed for the costs incurred.

Newfoundland Recycling

Motion 2016-03-21-07

Deputy Mayor Smith/Councillor Curtis

Resolved to contact the RCMP & the town's lawyer to get their opinion on the equipment left down by Haddon's Lane belonging to Newfoundland Recycling.

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

11. Volunteer Week- April 10th-16th

Councillor Dunne & Councillor Parsons will check with the Recreation Commission to see if they have any plans for volunteer week & the councillors will report back to council.

12. Municipal Awareness Day- May 11th

Municipal Awareness Day is May 11th, 2016.

Last year the town had open house in the Soda Ash Building & Chlorination Building.

CAO Parsons suggested to have open house this year in the arena & to bring all of the public works equipment in on the arena floor for residents to look at. CAO Parsons to check with the Fire Department & Ambulance to see if they can get the fire truck & ambulance in there as well. CAO Parsons will contact the schools to see if they will bring their students to the arena one grade at a time.

Motion 2016-03-21-08

Councillor Curtis/Councillor Dunne



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12. Municipal Awareness Day- May 11th Continued..

Resolved to have Municipal Awareness Day on May 11, 2016 at the Fortune Arena & to move the town's public works equipment to be on display on the arena floor. Resolved to have the council office closed for the day.

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

13. Garage construction in residential arenas

Received a building application for a garage on Miller Road.

Councillors discussed this matter & reviewed the application.

Motion 2016-03-21-09 Councillor Curtis/Councillor Dunne

Resolved to approve the application for a garage on Miller Road based on the pegs meeting the appropriate regulations & approval from all other regulatory departments.

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.



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14. Poll Tax Exemption Requests

Received the following poll tax exemptions:

-COX.P001
-HYNESK001
-HILLL011

Motion 2016-03-21-10

Councillor Smith/Councillor Parsons

Resolved to approve poll tax exemptions for COX.P001, HYNESK001 & HILLL011.

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

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Councillor Curtis

The FFFIF will be hosting a Gary Summers hypnotist show on April 29, 2016 at the Fortune Arena.

Deputy Mayor Smith

Deputy Mayor Smith advised council that the Come Home Year Committee closed out their bank account & they are donating the balance of \$479.60 to the Town of Fortune for Public Works tools.



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Adjournment

Motion 2016-02-22-08

Counillor Curtis/Councillor Dunne

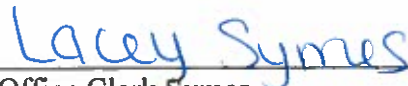
Resolved to adjourn the regular council meeting at 7:49 p.m.

In favour: Deputy Mayor F. Smith
Councillors: L. Curtis, J. Dunne & D. Holloway

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried



Mayor Penwell



Office Clerk Symes