



The Town of Fortune

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A regular meeting of the Fortune Town Council was held on Monday, February 14, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Mayor Alec Noseworthy, Deputy Mayor Kim Price, Councillors Terry Stacey, Harvey Tulk, Rosalind Matchem and Derrick Reid.

Additions to Agenda: 15) Community Centre
16) Arena Advisory Board
17) Atlantic Jet

Be It Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Tulk and seconded by Councillor Stacey the agenda be adopted. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

Be It Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Tulk and seconded by Councillor Stacey the minutes of the January 31, 2005 and February 7, 2005 be adopted as presented. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

BUSINESS ARISING:

1) Fishery Products International Ltd- Mayor Noseworthy discussed with Bill Mullins the possibility of arranging a meeting with Earl McCurdy and the local union representatives to address the situation on the plant. Mr. Mullins informed the Mayor that Mr. McCurdy would be willing to travel to Fortune for the meeting. The fish plant opened for operation today and employed about 60 people. Mayor Noseworthy also noted that the request for a meeting with the Premier has be forwarded to his office but to date there has been no reply.

2) Accounts Receivable-no payments received from Mr. Cake and the water to the property is still turned off.

3) Fortune Head Ecological Site-a) old building-request from Bridges Employment asking Council to consider providing them with the former Information Center.

Be It Resolved: It was moved by Deputy Mayor Price and seconded by Councillor Matchem that we would write Bridges Employment and inform them that Council cannot relinquish the former Information Building at this time. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

b) Meeting scheduled for Thursday, February 17, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the operation of this building. Councillor Tulk cannot attend due to prior commitment.



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4. Regional Water Study-Councillor Reid updated Council on the meeting held with the Grand Bank Committee and highlighted the items addressed such as new system to neutralize PH levels, cost share 50/50 the main line and chlorine from pump house to Confederation, Grand Bank would be responsible for 100% of cost of line from Confederation Street to Grand Bank, at no time would the Town of Fortune but its water supply at risk and it would be Fortune's call to turn off water, shut-off valves to be installed within the Town and on the line to Grand Bank. The Town of Grand Bank would like a letter from the Town of Fortune indicating a basis for an agreement to provide them with water based on the preliminary meetings between the two towns. This letter would allow the Town of Grand Bank to pursue funding from the Provincial Government. A lengthy discussion was held regarding this matter and Councillor's concerns were addressed. It was agreed to inform the general public of the preliminary discussions held with the Town of Grand Bank through the medium of the Fortune Teller.

Be It Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Reid and seconded by Councillor Stacey that discussions continue with the Town of Grand Bank in an effort to reach a tentative agreement to supply Grand Bank with water from our system based on the preliminary discussions already held with the Town of Grand Bank, and as per the results of the investigation conducted on our water supply by the engineering firm, BAE-Newplan. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

5. Arena-Family Reunion-Doreen Simms-Office Clerk Stacey still trying to contact Ms. Simms.

6. Economic Development-Town Clerk Collier informed Council that the staff had met and discussed items such as increase minimum taxes another year; metered water for the Marine Service Center and Harbour Authority; possible fee charged per tourist ticket to St. Pierre. Office Clerk Stacey has discussed economic development with Kay Riggs and Ms. Riggs will arrange a meeting with the staff to discuss matter.

Councillor Stacey felt that Economic Development for the Town is very important and something that needs to be pursued and wondered if Council needed to give the staff some direction and how much time to allocate to this matter.

It was agreed the staff would meet with Ms. Riggs and report to Council at the next meeting.



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GENERAL:

1. Grand Bank Heritage Society Inc.-request to sponsor ad on Mariners' Memorial Placement.

Be It Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Reid and seconded by Councillor Stacey that we would not support an ad in aid of the Mariners' Memorial at this time. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

2. Ocean Net-It was agreed to contact Pat Parsons to determine if he is interested in serving as a liaison with the group to set up meetings and inform the community about the Government of Canada's "One Tonne Challenge" program.

3. Central Restaurant-Letter received from Mills, Hussey & Pittman asking Council to consider accepting a smaller sum for taxes and provide the law firm with a Release of interest in the property.

Be It Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Tulk and seconded by Councillor Stacey that we would accept the proposal from Mills, Hussey, & Pittman and release the lien on the property of Central Restaurant for our proportionate amount or 15% whichever is greater. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

Office Clerk Stacey noted that Council should consider a stricter policy with local businesses when collected taxes assessed. Within recent years two businesses have closed out and not paid outstanding taxes leaving a substantial amount owing to the town.

4. Roy Thornhill-information.
5. Heritage Run Tourism Association Inc.-info.
6. The Green Team-info.
7. Destination St. John's-info.



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8. Cutting Edge Figure Skating Club-correspondence received from the group asking Council to mediate regarding the duplication of booking re their ice show scheduled for March 20/05.

It was agreed to contact the Figure Skating Club to determine if the hours after 12Noon on March 20/05 would allow them to have their show ; if so contact the Recreation Hockey and inform them of same.

9. Arena-Condenser Fan-letter received from Arena Operator indicating the fan shins were coming loose and would need to be repaired after shut-down. Agreed.

10. Fortune Teller-have a cost analysis completed for the next meeting.

Councillor Tulk asked if anyone had investigated about the School Board piggy backing on the next municipal election. Town Clerk to check.

11. Recreation Commission a) new members-Rita Piercey, Ambrose Price and Joseph Hynes.

Be It Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Stacey and seconded by Deputy Mayor Price that we would approved the new Recreation Commission members as listed. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

b) Winter Carnival Activities-a) Seniors Supper February 24, 2005 at Grand Bank Lions Club.

Councillor Tulk, Stacey, Mayor Noseworthy and Deputy Mayor Price will assist.

c) Kids Day February 19, 2005 2:00 p.m. Horsebrook Park-Mayor Noseworthy will attend and address.

12. Burin Peninsula Summer Games-request for donation.

Be It Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Tulk and seconded by Councillor Reid that we would donate \$25.00 for a 1/4 page ad in the 3rd Burin Peninsula Summer Games Booklet. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.



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13. Minor Hockey Outstanding Account-

Be It Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Tulk and seconded by Councillor Matchem that we would write off the outstanding account for Minor Hockey and inform them that is not a practise that Council will continue. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

14. Arena Operators Seminar-ask Lorne about attending.

15. Community Center-concerned that the EAS office may be interested in moving-Town Clerk Collier to contact MHA Matthews office to discuss matter.

16. Arena Advisory Board-has agreed to pay half the cost for the Pest Control for one year and will look at paying for some or all of the cost involved regarding the items listed on the WHSCC inspection report.

17. Atlantic Jet-Mayor Noseworthy has arranged for Council members to participate in the christening trip on April 16, 2005.

18) Councillor Reid noted that a request may come to Council for a letter of support to have the weather forecast with the meteorologist reinstated at CHCM in Marystown.

19) Social-put on agenda for next meeting.

20) Check out shed construction for Philip Thornhill.

BILLS:

Be It Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Tulk and seconded by Councillor Stacey that the bills be paid as presented. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.



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PRESENTATION:

Mayor Noseworthy presented Councillor Reid with his Long Service Award Certificate from the Federation of Municipalities.

Be It Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Matchem and seconded by Deputy Mayor Price that the meeting adjourn at 10:45 p.m. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

Mayor

Office Clerk



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AGENDA Council Meeting February 14, 2005

Adoption of Agenda

Adoption of Minutes: January 31, 2005 and February 7, 2005 Special Meeting

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6. The Green Team
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8. Cutting Edge Figure Skating Club
9. Arena - Condenser Fan
10. Fortune Teller
11. Recreation Committee
 - (A) New Members - Rita Piercey, Ambrose Price and Joseph Hynes
 - (B) Winter Carnival Activities
 - (1) Seniors Supper - February 24, 2005 at Grand Bank
 - (2) Kids Day - February 19, 2005 - 2:00 p.m. - Horsebrook Park - Mayor to have a few words
12. Burin Peninsula Summer Games - Request Donation
13. Minor Hockey Outstanding Account
14. Arena Operators Seminars

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