



# The Town of Fortune

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A regular meeting of the Fortune Town Council was held on Thursday, October 2, 2003 at 7:00 p.m.

Members present were: Mayor Charles Penwell, Deputy Mayor Alec Noseworthy, Councillors Kim Price, Harvey Tulk, and Rosalind Matchem

Staff: Basil Collier, Town Clerk  
Norma Stacey, Office Clerk

Observer: Brian Rose

Additions to Agenda: 17) Bank Machine  
18) Request to have closed meeting after general meeting

Permits: Jerry Randell

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

## **Delegation/Guests: 7:15 p.m. Yvonne & Chris Harris**

Mr. & Mrs. Harris expressed concerns regarding the fires burning at the Fire Training Ground during training sessions. They are in the process of constructed a new home and do not want any fires lit at the training ground. They stated it was their understanding when they purchased the land there would be no further burning at the grounds and they questioned who was responsible to ensure that lighting fires would not continue. Mrs. Harris stated she also did not want to see a bonfire lit during bonfire night. The Harris' are concerned about the smoke entering their home through their air exchanger as well as an toxins that might be in the air.

Mayor Penwell informed Mr & Mrs Harris that when they first looked at purchasing the land for their home, he approached the Fire Chief and at they time there wasn't any training sessions from the Fire Commissioner's Office scheduled at the training grounds. There has been some discussion regarding the relocation of the training grounds and the Town Clerk has been approached by the Fire Chief to complete a crown land application for relocation of the site. There are no regulations set by the town as to what type of materials allowed to be burnt at the training ground. Mayor Penwell informed Mr. & Mrs. Harris that the fire department was attending the Council meeting at 7:30 p.m. and the matter would be discussed and he would informed them of Council's decision. The Harris' retired from the meeting at 7:30 p.m.



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**7:30 p.m. Fire Chief, Patrick Parsons  
Deputy Fire Chief, Raymond Cuza**

Fire Chief Parsons informed Council that a sub-committee of the Fortune Fire Department and the Grand Bank Fire Department has been struck to discuss and plan for the relocation of the current fire training ground in Fortune. The area suggested for relocation is half-way pit on the Fortune-Grand Bank highway and the size of the land would be 250'x300' with a masonry building measuring 28'x36'. Water would be obtained by means of a well and it was suggested that a gate to the site be installed to prevent others from trespassing. Fire Chief Parsons asked that Council consider the relocation during their future budget process. He stated that completion of the site could take up to 5 years. Fire Chief Parsons also asked that the liaison between Council and Fire Department attend the sub-committee meetings to keep informed of the progress.

The Fire Department would like to have a letter of support from Council for the site relocation. It was agreed. The application to Crown Lands would be applied for under the Town of Fortune since the suggested site is in the town's boundaries.

Fire Chief Parsons stated that the Firemen's Ball is scheduled for Saturday, November 22, 2003 at the Royal Canadian Legion.

Mayor Penwell discussed with the Fire Department's representatives the concerns expressed by Mr. & Mrs. Harris regarding the fires at the present training grounds. It was agreed to have the smoke house moved to the suggested location as soon as the application is approved. When this is done, Fire Chief Parsons suggested that a couple of post with a wire strung between the two be installed at the entrance of the site. It was agreed that fires would not be lit in the interim period. Fire Chief Parsons also asked that the Mr. & Mrs. Harris be assured that it is not the Fire Department's intention to cause any problems for them in their new home. Council also noted that the Harris' had expressed that it was not their intention to make trouble for the Department.

Fire Chief Parsons thanked the Council for allowing them the time to address the meeting. Mayor Penwell congratulated the fire department on their efforts and the commendable work they are doing to keep the town safe from fires.

The Fire Department retired from the meeting at 7:50 p.m.



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## ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

**Be It Resolved:** It was moved by Councillor Matchem and seconded by Councillor Price the minutes of the September 11, 2003 meeting be approved as presented. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

## BUSINESS ARISING:

1. Arena Refrigeration Equipment-start up of equipment is expected around the middle of October. Cimco will test the new equipment.
2. Fair Isle Motel-nothing new to report.
3. Central Restaurant-letter from Keith Osmond. It was agreed to write Mr. Osmond of the Burin Peninsula Community Business Development Corporation and inform him that if they have a buyer for Central Restaurant, Council is prepared to negotiate the outstanding taxes.
4. Gabion Walls-nothing new to report.
5. Multi Purpose Field-official opening postponed.
6. Fortune Teller-Mayor Penwell wrote Ms. Herridge and explain due to cost of paper, and time involved for photocopying it was important to provide her with some guidelines regarding the content of the Teller.
7. Land for Gazeboat-nothing new to report.
8. Loggerhead Brook-area cleaned up to day.
9. Regional Water Study-Grand Bank & Fortune-It was agreed to open up inside dam on Friday, October 10/2003 to have overflow into first dam for testing by Bae-NewPlan.
10. Financial Statements-defer for next meeting.
11. Recreation Commission, Community Center and Arena Board invoiced for Corey Parsons wages \$2,589.00 each.



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12. New funding for Historic Buildings-Heritage Society and Harbour Supervisor working on application for restoration of stages and stage head. Harbour Supervisor collected the preliminary information for the application.

13. Rental Rates-Arena-discussion regarding rental rate increase for the upcoming season

**Be It Resolved:** It was moved by Councillor Tulk and seconded by Councillor Price that a 5% increase be applied to the Arena ice rental rates. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

14. Workplace Inspections-most of the items listed have been completed.

15. Kenneth Courtney-request to purchase land water front area. It was agreed to consult with the Heritage Society and the Harbour Authority to determine their plans for the water front area before making a decision on Mr. Courtney's request.

16. Convention-request for a donation to the Central Night-it has been the policy to donate to such designated nights when the Eastern Region, which we are a part of, is hosting the Convention.

17. Linkage Program-Jason Cuza-to start Monday, October 6, 2003

18. Society 2204 Celebrations-letter of intent submitted.

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## NEW BUSINESS:

1. Infonotes & Noteworthy-file

2. Schooner Regional Development Corporation & High Speed Internet-Deputy Mayor Noseworthy attended the meeting held at the Partanna Complex on Wednesday, October 1/03. Members from the Schooner Regional Development Association were present and they are trying to determine the number of residential units as well as businesses who are interested in having the high speed Internet service through Aliant Telecom for this area. A petition is being circulated to gain support.

3. Piercey Street-tender to close October 15, 2003 and the project is planned to start on October 20, 2003. Will advertise tomorrow for 5-6 project workers.



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#### 4. Poll Tax-Pam Patten & Steven White

Pam Patten is a common law spouse but her name is not on the Bill of Sale of the property. It was agreed that if she provided an affidavit signed by both her and her common-law spouse, Paul Snook, and witnessed by a JP or Commissioner of Oaths that she is joint owner of the property, she will be exempted.

Steven White-his official address was St. John's and he commuted back to St. John's on the weekends from January to March , 2003.

**Be It Resolved:** It was moved by Councillor Tulk and seconded by Deputy Mayor Noseworthy that Mr. White be exempted from poll tax for 2003 since his official residence was St. John's and he would be considered a transient worker. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

#### 5. Fortune Community & Youth Center-defer

6. Interpretation Center: (a) Provincial Grant \$50,000.00 received from MHA Foote  
(b) FPI property-Mayor Penwell will contact Mr. Fudge

7. Site map of Fortune-contact the Town of Grand Bank to determine where their map was printed.

#### 8. Advertising-Fire Prevention Week-Southern Gazette \$50.00 plus HST.

**Be It Resolved:** It was moved by Councillor Matchem and seconded by Councillor Price that we approve the advertisement in the Southern Gazette for fire prevention at a cost of \$50.00 plus HST. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

#### 9. Young Criminal Justice Act-file

#### 10. Green Municipal Enabling Fund-file



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## 11. Children's Wish Foundation

**Be It Resolved:** It was moved by Deputy Mayor Noseworthy and seconded by Councillor Price that we would donate \$25.00 to the Children's Wish Foundation. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

12. NLFM-memo re promotion of health and safety in the province's construction industry.

13. NLCSA-letter thanking the Federation of Municipalities for their support towards improving health and safety in the Province's construction industry.

## 14. Tourism Guide

**Be It Resolved:** It was moved by Councillor Tulk and seconded by Councillor Matchem that we would purchase the same size ad in the Provincial Tourism Guide as we did last year. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

15. Paymentech-contact Scotia Bank for clarification.

16. Water samples-satisfactory.

17. Banking Machine-nothing new from Mr. Francis Power, President of Scotia Bank in Newfoundland-Deputy Mayor Noseworthy to contact Mr. Power again tomorrow.

## PERMITS:

Tom Douglas	Eldon Street	Shed
Brian Rose	Hornhouse Road	Garage & Addition
Eric Stacey	Pinchmarsh Road	Construct Shed
Jerry Randell	Hornhouse Road	Construct Cabin

**Be It Resolved:** It was moved by Deputy Mayor Noseworthy and seconded by Councillor Price that the permits be approved as presented. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.



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Mayor Penwell requested a leave of absence until June 2004 due to work commitments.

**Be It Resolved:** It was moved by Councillor Tulk and seconded by Councillor Matchem we would accept Mayor Penwell request for a leave of absence in his capacity as Mayor until June 30, 2004. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

Mayor Penwell vacated the chair and Town Clerk Collier conducted the proceedings to fill the position of Mayor.

**Be It Resolved:** It was moved by Councillor Tulk and seconded by Councillor Matchem that Deputy Mayor Alec Noseworthy would assume the position of Mayor until June 30, 2004. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

Mayor Noseworthy took his oath of office. The position of Deputy Mayor to be deferred until all members of Council are present.

Public Meeting closed to private meeting 9:30 p.m.

Item for Discussion: Mayor Noseworthy informed Council that he had received a telephone call from George Rose stating that he was interested in filling Lloyd Barnes' position at the Community Center; however this had not been approved by the Community Center Committee to date and was not public knowledge at this time.

**Be It Resolved:** It was moved by Councillor Price and seconded by Councillor Matchem that the meeting adjourn at 9:45 p.m. Unanimously agreed. Motion carried.

  
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Mayor

  
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Office Clerk





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## AGENDA COUNCIL MEETING Thursday, October 2, 2003

Adoption of Agenda

Adoption of Minutes-September 11, 2003

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7:30 p.m. Fire Department

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18. Society 2004 Celebrations-application completed

## **ELECTION AND SWEARING IN**

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