



The Town of Fortune

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Adoption of Minutes, January 25, 2016

Mayor Penwell asked if there were any errors or omissions to the minutes of the regular meeting of January 25, 2016 as presented.

Motion 2016-02-08-02 Deputy Mayor Smith/Councillor Parsons

Resolved to adopt the minutes of the regular council meeting of January 25, 2016.

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

New Business

1. Taxes

Ideal Enterprises

Consensus of Council to leave tax structure as adopted.

Royal Canadian Legion

Consensus of Council that the Royal Canadian Legion be charged property tax, water/sewer tax & business tax as it's operated daily with paid staff and competes with local businesses.

Lion's Club

Motion 2016-02-08-03 Deputy Mayor Smith/Councillor Harris

Resolved not to charge business tax to the Fortune Lion's Club.

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.



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1. Taxes Continued..

G & C Convenience/Sears
Motion 2016-02-08-04

Deputy Mayor Smith/Councillor Dunne

Resolved that G & C Convenience/Sears be treated as one business and & charged one business tax not two.

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

Tips & Toes Day Spa
Motion 2016-02-08-05

Councillor Dunne/Councillor Harris

Resolved that Tips & Toes Day Spa be charged business tax only.

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

Fortune Harbour Authority

Consensus of Council that the Harbour Authority would be subject to both property & water taxes.

2. Commercial Development Permit/RJG Construction

CAO Parsons advised that RJG Construction had concerns regarding a permit and paying the scheduled fees.

Consensus of Council that all permits & current fee structure stays in place. This is standard for most municipalities in the province. Council advised

CAO Parsons to provide notice that permits & fees must be paid within 10 days or a stop work order will be issued.



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3. Business Application

Motion 2016-02-08-06 Deputy Mayor Smith/Councillor Parsons

Resolved to approve A.M. Renovations business application to operate in the Town of Fortune as a contractor, with necessary business tax to be applied.

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried

4. Poll Tax Exemption Request

Motion 2016-02-08-07 Councillor Curtis/Councillor Dunne

KEARA002 income level criteria
COX.T001 living common law & paying expenses of property

Resolved to approve the poll tax exemption form for ACCT # KEARA002 & COX.T001.

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried



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5. Service NL OHS Inspector's Report

Chain Hoist

Motion 2016-02-08-08

Deputy Mayor Smith/Councillor Holloway

Resolved to remove the chain hoist from the Town's inspection OHS report as Service NL OHS inspector had no issues with the current capacity.

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried

Leak at Soda Ash Building

Motion 2016-02-08-09

Councillor Parsons/Councillor Holloway

Resolved to remove the leak at the Soda Ash Building from the Town's inspection report as it is deemed an operational issue, not an OHS issues as confirmed by Service NL OHS inspector.

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried

Deputy Mayor Smith indicated he was surprised by the inspection report and that there was minimal issues identified.

CAO Parsons advised this is a result of the good work our Town's OHS committee has done this past year.



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6. Funding Request

RCSCC Sea Cadets

Motion 2016-02-08-10

Councillor Parsons/Councillor Curtis

Resolved to donate \$100.00 to the RCSCC Sea Cadets to assist towards the purchase of a Marine Simulator Program.

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried

Burin Peninsula Regional Drama Festival

Motion 2016-02-08-11

Councillor Parsons/Councillor Curtis

Resolved to support the Burin Peninsula Regional Drama Festival with the purchase of a half page ad in the booklet at a cost of \$60.00

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried

Burin Peninsula Housing & Homeless

Motion 2016-02-08-12

Deputy Mayor Smith/Councillor Harris

Resolved to support the Burin Peninsula Housing & Homeless Community Breakfast with a \$50.00 donation.

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried



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7. Staff

Attending Funerals

Consensus of council to let CAO Parsons hold discretion for staff to attend funerals using the bereavement clause in contract. Staff are expected to take leave if participating in a funeral as his/her role in the church.

Arena/Public Works

Motion 2016-02-08-13

Councillor Curtis/Councillor Smith

Resolved that our current groundskeeper would be the Town's casual employee for both the arena & public works departments.

Arena/Public Works Continued..

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried

8. Training

MNL Regional Meeting: March 18-19

Mayor Penwell indicated that if anyone is interested to advise CAO Parsons.

HNL Convention: March 1-3

Mayor Penwell indicated that if anyone is interested to advise CAO Parsons. Expenses to be paid by Eco Friends.

Drink Water Workshop: March 22-24

Motion 2016-02-08-14

Councillor Holloway/Councillor Dunne

Resolved to approve Public Works Supervisor Caines to attend the drinking water workshop in Gander from March 22-24, 2016.

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried



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8. Training Continued..

PMA Convention: April 19-22

Motion 2016-02-08-15

Deputy Mayor Smith/Councillor Harris

Resolved to approve CAO Parsons to attend PMA Convention in St. John's from April 19-22, 2016.

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried

RNL Convention: May 26-28

Motion 2016-02-08-16

Councillor Parsons/Councillor Dunne

Resolved to approve Arena Manager Barnes to attend RNL Convention in St. John's from May 26-28, 2016.

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried

Councillors Forum

Councillor Parsons

Inquired if there is a policy regarding snow clearing for churches during overtime. CAO Parsons advised operators have been informed church parking lots are only to be done during regular working hours, unless on a Sunday morning or prior to a funeral.

Councillor Holloway

Inquired if the Town is still clearing driveways for volunteer Fire Fighters. CAO Parsons advised operators do clear the mouth of the driveways once the main routes has a fire lane. Often, the driveways are done once the operator returns to the driveway. CAO Parsons indicated he has not heard from the Fire Chief if there were any issues.



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Councillor Harris

Inquired as to why there has not been a third councillor appointed to the Fortune Head Eco Friends. Mayor Penwell advised that there was no other councillor interested at this time.

Inquired regarding last meetings discussion in concern of attendance at council meetings. She indicated that due to work commitments while working at the mine and now as a casual worker, she has not been available. However, has participated in other meetings such as Eco Friends.

There were considerable discussions regarding councillors being paid their honorarium based on attending meetings.

Motion 2016-02-08-17

Councillor Parsons/Councillor Curtis

Resolved to keep the payment of honorariums as is currently and paid in four equal installments, rather than paid based on participation in meetings.

In favour: Councillors: L. Curtis, J. Dunne, Y. Harris & P. Parsons
Opposed: Mayor Penwell, Deputy Mayor Smith & Councillor Holloway
Motion carried

Adjournment

Motion 2016-02-08-18

Deputy Mayor Smith/Councillor Parsons

Resolved to adjourn the regular council meeting at 7:38 p.m.

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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried



Mayor Penwell



CAO Parsons



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Additions to Agenda

Adoption of Minutes: January 25, 2016

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Taxes
2. Commercial Development Permit
3. Business Application
4. Poll Tax Exemption Request
5. Service NL OHS Inspector's Report
6. Funding Request
7. Staff
8. Training

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BILLS

COUNCILLORS FORUM
