



The Town of Fortune

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MINUTES
of a regular meeting of Council
of the Town of Fortune
Held in the Town Hall, March 18th 2014

Members Present

MAYOR
COUNCILLORS:

Charles Penwell
Yvonne Symes-Harris
Patrick Parsons
Frazer Smith

Also Present

TOWN MANAGER
TOWN CLERK
OFFICE ASSISTANT

Norma Stacey
Debbie Hillier
Dora Hillier

Additions to the Agenda:

17. Legends City Wrestling
18. Registration Engineering and Geo Science
19. B.R.P. Drama Festival
20. K.S.A.B.-Conf- Id parcel of land
 - Services Available
 - What Council expects
21. Contract Signing
22. FFFIF
23. Community Center



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Additions to Agenda of March 18th, 2014 Meeting

Mayor Penwell asked for approval of the additions to the agenda of the March 18th, 2014 regular meeting.

Motion 2014-03-18-01 Smith /Harris

It was resolved that the additions to the March 18th, 2014 agenda for a regular meeting of Council be adopted as presented.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Councillors: Yvonne Symes-Harris
Patrick Parsons
Frazer Smith

Opposed: 0
Motion carried.

Regular Meeting of March 3rd, 2014

Mayor Penwell asked if there were any errors or omissions to the Minutes Of the regular meeting of March 3rd, 2014.

Motion 2014-03-18-02 Smith/Parsons

It was resolved that the Minutes of March 3rd, 2014 regular meeting of Council be adopted.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Councillors: Yvonne Symes-Harris
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Opposed: 0
Motion carried.



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GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Burin Peninsula Chamber of Commerce

Councilor's decided not to support Targa's efforts to have Marystown reconsider its decision to not approve Targa's planned 2014 event.

2. Damage to fence by snow plough

Council was presented with a letter from a Fortune resident on Haddock Road. The resident claimed Fortune's snow plough operator pushed snow over his fence, damaging the fence in the process. In defense of the snow plough operator, the resident claimed the operator was unable to push snow down the street due to the fact that cars and trucks were parked on the side of the road during snow clearing operations, contrary to the town's laws. Council agreed to have the fence measured from the road, before deciding on paying for repairs.

3. 2014 Recreation Volunteer Recognition Certificate

Council recognized the Town was past the due date to nominate a volunteer, even though this correspondence was newly received. Councilors were regretful for not receiving notice sooner.

4. Burin Peninsula Trailway Board

Burin Peninsula Trailway is looking for funding to upgrade and connect trails. Fortune is already connected to Lamaline. Council agreed it's something to look into.

5. 2014 Training and Development Schedule

FYI to Council if they were interested in attending.



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6. John Walsh- Operational Review April 17th-26th

Mayor Penwell review correspondence with Council. He would like to meet with Council as a part of the review. Mayor Penwell and Councilor Smith will not be available during these dates. Mayor Penwell wondered if the meeting could be delayed it for a couple of weeks, as it is important all Council can be present. Town Manager Norma Stacey will e-mail John Walsh to request a later date.

7. Approval \$2000.00 Community Seniors Grant

Mayor Penwell informed Council of this \$2000.00 grant approved for seniors skating at the arena. The Town of Fortune is also waiting to hear back on approval for the second age friendly grant.

8. Poll Tax Exemptions/Payment Arrangements

Town Clerk Debbie Hillier reviewed Poll tax with Council. Town Clerk Debbie Hillier sent out the Town's Notices with the poll tax bills, stating they have to pay their bill or legal action will be taken. This worked great for the Town as the payments received and payment plan arrangements were in good numbers.

- Poll tax Exemptions (one resident provided proof of residency elsewhere, one has earned less the basic personal amount, one based on a marriage last year and they now co-own the property and one rent to own agreements). 3 – 2014, 1 - 2013

Motion 2014-03-18-03 Smith/Parsons

It was resolved that the Town will grant the outlined Poll Tax Exemptions

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Councillors: Yvonne Symes-Harris
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Opposed: 0
Motion carried.



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Poll Tax Exemptions

CLARC002- 2013/2014 based on income exemption.
MATTC0010- 2013/2014 based on rent to own agreement-copy on file.
PIERD005- 2013/2014 based on rent to own agreement-copy on file.
PEACN00- Married-co-owned of property and mortgage.
NOFTS001 – 2013/2014-Basic Personal Income Exemption.
BULTC001- 2013/2014 rent to own agreement.
FITZG001- 2014 rent to own agreement- copy on file.
FITZL002- 2014 rent to own agreement- copy on file.
CARRS001- 2014 rent to own agreement- copy on file.

Poll Tax Exemptions/Payment Arrangements continued:

- One Business no longer operating. The business operator did not contact the town to inform them of the business has ceased operation since 2014. The town has just now received this business update in writing. Council decided they are responsible to pay up to the end of 2013.

Motion 2014-03-18-04 Smith/Parsons

It was resolved that the Town will charge this business the tax as of January 1st, 2014 since the Town was not notified until 2014

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Councillors: Yvonne Symes-Harris
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Opposed: 0
Motion carried



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Business Tax Exemption

L.A.H001- Accepted for 2014 water rates. *Not approved for 2012 and 2013*

Payment Agreement- 14

Ranging from poll tax, property tax, water rates, waste disposal fees. Most arrangements are dated for 2013 but some have a small balance from 2012. Arrangements to be paid by December 31st 2014.

Motion 2014-03-18-05 Parsons/Smith

It was resolved to allow the payment agreements presented.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Councillors: Yvonne Symes-Harris
Patrick Parsons
Frazer Smith

Opposed: 0
Motion carried

Payment Agreements approved:

AYERR04- Beverley Power approved (2012 & 2013)
AYERJ001- Jodi Ayres approved (2013)
BILLA001- Ambrose/Mary Billard approved (2012 & 2013)
BRADR002- Rodney Brady approved (2012 & 2013)
CUZAR001- Raymond/Bernie Cuza approved (2012 & 2013)
HERRR001- Roy Herridge approved (2012, 2013 & 2014)
HILLA002 – Allan/Ada Hillier approved (2012 & 2013)
KEARD001- Dwayne Kearley approved (2013)
KEARJ001 – Josephine Thornhill Kearley approved (2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, and 2014)
MARTC002- Colleen Martin approved (2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, and 2013)
KEEPPG003- Holly Chaulk (Martin) approved 2013
NOSEC001- Courtney Noseworthy (Moore) approved 2013
PIERJ004- Jeremy Price approved (2013 and 2010 poll tax)
SIMMT001- Thomas Simms approved (2013 & 2014)
SNOOKJ001 – Julian Snook approved (2012, 2013 & 2014)



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9. Crown Land Application-Horse Brook Trail & Metal Manu Works

Metal Manu Works are looking for some extra land. Councilor Parsons was told this area was on its own line. The Town's foreman will investigate this, for if this is the case, a previous motion not allowing water hook up in this area can be revisited.

Motion 2014-03-18-06 Smith/Parsons

It was resolved to approve the two presented Crown Land Applications subject to other regulatory approval

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Councillors: Yvonne Symes-Harris
Patrick Parsons
Frazer Smith

Opposed: 0
Motion carried.

There was an application received for Crown Land adjacent on Bayview Street,
There was an application for a license to occupy Horse Brook Trail.

10. NL Environmental Awards

Council decided not to submit nominations.

11. Backhoe

Town Manager Norma Stacey informed Council the 2010 JCB backhoe part of the machine is not working. The warranty is unknown until the problem is found. The Town's foreman called for repair quotes and the prices were astronomical. Even if they came out and found the problem, reality is the machine would likely have to be sent in anyway. Bennett's were contacted to see if they had anything going into town to cut down on transport charges. Council agreed to check into Pittman's and Brenton's for repair or even trouble shoot. The parts manual for this machine is \$1000.00. It was settled to get the machine in for repair as soon as possible.



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12. Salt and Sand

The Town ordered an extra ten tons last week which is all that could be purchased.

13. Ambulance Wages

Mayor Penwell enlightened Council on the Ambulance meeting held last week, before decisions are implemented, the issues are brought back to both Councils for approval. They have not had a wage increase in three years, they are in negotiations with the Department of Health as well. In the interim, the Ambulance Committee recommended a five percent wage increase retroactive dating back to April 1st 2013.

Motion 2014-03-18-07 Smith/Harris

It was resolved to approve the wage increase subject to the approval to the Town of Grand Bank

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Councillors: Yvonne Symes-Harris
Patrick Parsons
Frazer Smith

Opposed: 0
Motion carried

14. Meeting with Eastern Health

Eastern Health bought satellite phones for Burin, not for Grand Bank. The Ambulance Committee are looking into satellite phones for the Ambulance service. The price for four satellite phones, with one year service and antennas for placement on the ambulance is \$1940.00. Concerns have risen from this, the satellite phones in Burin will not work inside a building, only outside once a signal is reached from a satellite. Mayor Penwell recommended going back to Bell for more information.



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15. Burin Tourism Project-3:00pm. April 9th, 2014 Council Chambers

Councillors were unable to attend.

16. Legends City Wrestling

Mayor Penwell opened this order of business, exploring the two options.

- 70/30 split, having to sell 200 tickets. Really no risk.
- Bought show \$4500.00, promised to be a better show with top wrestlers from around the world.
- Fortune's Arena Manager is trying to book them before Marystown sets a date.
- Arena Manager will clarify the \$4500.00 price, plus tax or not.

Motion 2014-03-18-08 Parsons/Smith

It was resolved to go with the \$4500.00 bought show option

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Councillors: Patrick Parsons
Frazer Smith

Opposed: 1
Motion carried

17. Engineering and Geo Science

Representatives will be on the Burin Peninsula in April. They will be available for questions if the town has any. Town manager Norma Stacey explained to Council there may some new funding from ACOA, they might match up. Linda Collier will connect with contacts.



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18. B.P.R. Drama Festival

Motion 2014-03-18-09 Smith/Parsons

It was resolved to donate \$100.00 full page for their advertizing booklet.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Councillors: Yvonne Symes-Harris
Patrick Parsons
Frazer Smith

Opposed: 0
Motion carried.

19. K.S.A.B

Town Manager Norma Stacey contacted this company. The company is interested in land development. Requested information was:

- The Town has to identify a parcel of land.
- What services are available?
- What Council expects of them, such as streets etc.

Then they would like to set up a meeting with the town to discuss anything else. Council discussed available land in Fortune. Town Manager Norma Stacey will contact K.S.A.B to inform them that the Town can look at a piece of Crown Land, while investigating K.S.A.B's expectations of the Town.

20. Contract Signing

Town Manager Norma Stacey wanted to set a date for the contract signing. Council decided on Tuesday March 25th 2014 at 4:30pm.



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21. FFFIF

Councillor Smith requested approval for the FFFIF to use the Town's multipurpose Court for an outside hockey tournament. It would also create a buzz and a public response.

Motion 2014-03-18-10 Harris/Parsons

It was resolved to grant FFFIF permission to use the multipurpose court for the outdoor hockey tournament.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Councillors: Yvonne Symes-Harris
Patrick Parsons
Frazer Smith

Opposed: 0
Motion carried.

Councillor Smith explained to Council the FFFIF had a lot of trouble last year with their barricades. He was interested in placing permanent underground fixtures to ensure the same problems to not reoccur. Mayor Penwell also informed Council that a deposit has been placed on Dr. Hook.

22. Community Center

Mayor Penwell described the condition of the upstairs classrooms. The ceiling is totally down in one room and in another the ceiling is ready to fall and a leak in the bathroom. Keyin Tech has already been relocated to the classroom upstairs in the Town Hall and Brighter Futures have no idea where they will relocate. After speaking with the insurance company it was decided the old roof is not covered. Council determined once the Community Center is closed, the Town has to board up the building to protect against vandals and chain the doors as there are many keys in circulation. Town Manager Norma Stacey to contact Community Center Committee and discuss boarding of building and cost covered by the Community Center Committee.



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Motion 2014-03-18-11 Smith/Harris

It was resolved board up the Community Center once all occupants have left.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Councillors: Yvonne Symes-Harris
Patrick Parsons
Frazer Smith

Opposed: 0
Motion carried.

23. Employee Matter

A)

Motion 2014-03-18-12 Harris/Parsons

It was resolved that the employee be given the choice to take a pay out for the days owed, or the option to keep the hours and use them pre approved by December 31st 2014, any unused at that time will be lost.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Councillors: Yvonne Symes-Harris
Patrick Parsons

Opposed: 1
Motion carried.

B) **Motion 2014-03-18-13** Smith/Parsons

It was resolved to raise the rate of pay to \$16.25 an hour effective as of last period.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Councillors: Yvonne Symes-Harris
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Opposed: 0
Motion carried.



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23. Employee Matter

C) Motion 2014-03-18-14 Smith/Harris

It was resolved to grant two Town's employee's their vacation days.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Councillors: Yvonne Symes-Harris
Frazer Smith

Opposed: 1
Motion carried

Correspondence

1) Dept. Of Transportation-Crosswalks Bayview Street.

Bills

Adjournment:

Motion 2014-03-18-15 Smith /Parsons

It was resolved to Adjourn the regular Council meeting for March 18th 2014 at 8:26pm.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
Councillors: Yvonne Symes-Harris
Frazier Smith
Patrick Parsons

Opposed: 0
Motion carried.

Mayor

Office Clerk



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Agenda Council Meeting March 31st, 2014

Additions to Agenda

Adoption of Minutes: March 18th, 2014

Delegation/Guest: Chris Emberley

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Accounts Receivable
2. Water Agreement \$44,250.00
\$4500.00 invoice on yearly basis for maintenance
Chlorine- reimburse Fortune on volume increase
Retroactive July 1st 2013
3. Properties- Sale by Auction
4. Emergency Plan meeting date
5. Fire Hall
6. Signing Collective Agreement
7. Appreciation- Former Councillors
8. Requests for support
 - 1) Marystown Minor Hockey
 - 2) Boot Shrine Club
9. Ideal Enterprises- request to close off section of wharf
10. Correspondence from citizen re sod damage
11. Gas Tax
12. U-Rock Awards
13. Environmental Assessment- The Greater Lamaline Area Multi Purpose Trail Assoc.
14. Southern Gazette- annual summer vacation guide
15. Spring/Summer 2014 Operator Education Seminars



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16. Wrestling at Arena
17. Request for land
18. Fortune Recreation Commission
19. Recreation AGM- Darren
20. RFP Proposal
21. Community Center
22. Employee Matter

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. 2013 Summer Drinking Water Quality report
2. Wooden Boat Museum