



# The Town of Fortune

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A regular meeting of the Fortune Town Council was held on November 12, 1996 at 7:00 pm.

Members present were: Mayor Harvey Tulk, Deputy Mayor Charles Penwell, Councillors Mary Piercey, Major King, Derick Reid, Harold Thornhill and Lloyd Barnes.

Additions to Agenda: General: (5) Telephone Conversation Mr. Vic Young

(6) Logwood Road Update

Correspondence: (8b) Fund-raiser Liberal Party

(12) Request Councillor Reid

(13) Letter Georgie Forsey

(14) Conversation Danny Noseworthy, Dept. of Municipal Affairs

Be It Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Thornhill and seconded by Councillor Reid the agenda, with the above listed additions, be adopted as presented. Motion carried.

Minutes of October 28, 1996 were reviewed:

1. No return response from the Sea Cadets.
2. Fire Department purchased hoods.
3. Come Home Committee cheque of \$500.00 to be returned.
4. Update new business Lloyd G. Lake Ltd. building-awaiting approval of license.
5. Scotia Bank letter to be written.
6. GLADA-no reply to date from Dept. of Forestry-contact Hon. Judy Foote regarding criteria for sponsoring this program.
7. Invoice Doane Raymond-per conversation with Bob Mitchell, invoice will be cancelled.
8. Volunteers Shantymen Board of Directors-no volunteers.



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9. Newfoundland Flotilla-Mayor Tulk and Earl Rose will meet with the Harbour Authority to determine plans.
10. Kids Connection-registration completed.

Be It Resolved: It was moved by Deputy Mayor Penwell and seconded by Councillor King the minutes of the October 28, 1996 meeting be adopted as presented. Motion carried.

## General:

1. Bus shelters, parents concerned over children's safety-requested cross-walks and who will be responsible for snow removal from bus shelters?

It was agreed that cross-walks are not installed in other towns that have bus shelters and the maintenance, painting, snow removal, etc. should be the responsibility of the parents and the young teens using the shelters.

2. Postage Meter obsolete, present lease cost is \$269.10 plus applicable taxes, lease cost for new meter would be \$315.00 plus applicable taxes. It was agreed to lease new meter.
3. (a) Municipal Budget-some work completed to date; however final completion depends on the Workers Agreement, refinancing of loans from NMFC or a bank and direction from Fishery Products International re their grant-in-lieu. Doane Raymond is presently reviewing the refinancing of loans-possible saving thirty to thirty five thousand dollars.

(b) Workers Agreement-Councillor Reid presented the employees counter proposal per:

Employees agreed to the twelve (12) week down time during 1997; however asked for acceptance of the following recommendations:

1. If the financial position of the Town should change substantially to increase revenue (i.e. F.P.I. reopens during 1997 or Logwood Road not completed, etc.,) the number of down time work weeks should be reduced.



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2. If one employee has completed his/her twelve week down time period and the number of weeks required has been reduced by Council, then that employee should be financially compensated. That is, the variance in EI net benefits and the employee's net pay based on regular weekly earnings.
3. Council to pay the corresponding amount of Pension Plan contributions if employees wish to continue their regular weekly payments during their twelve (12) week down time which will reflect a cost of \$2,172.00.

or

a wage increase of 2% to compensate for loss of pension funds. Estimated cost of \$3,200.00.

4. Vacation Pay calculations to remained the same based on 1995 gross wages.

The Collective Agreement Committee recommended the proposal, excluding the second part of item #3, be accepted. The Finance Committee to review.

(c) Refinancing of Loans-NMFC-Doane Raymond reviewing.

(d) Five Year Capital Works Program-awaiting reply Keith Warren if Council has to resubmit application.

#### 4. Applications for deferral of Municipal Tax payments:

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| 1. Joan Monster         | 2. Bonnie Woodland  |
| 3. Mitchell's Variety   | 4. Brian Smith      |
| 5. Brian Remo           | 6. Wilbert Thorne   |
| 7. James Ashford        | 8. Robert Matchem   |
| 9. Barry Ayers          | 10. Maurice Pittman |
| 11. Judy Hillier        | 12. Gary Noftall    |
| 13. Wayne Cake          | 14. Andrew Piercey  |
| 15. Roy Caines          | 16. Ralph Monster   |
| 17. Kay Mavin           | 18. Jessie Clarke   |
| 19. Vera & Stan Bonnell |                     |

It was agreed to contact Bonnie Woodland and Barry Ayers to remind them that the agreement date to make their first payment was not adhere too.



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Be It Resolved: It was moved by Deputy Mayor Penwell and seconded by Councillor Piercey that we write Mitchell's Variety informing them that their application for payments to December 31, 1996 was denied because this date extends beyond Council's deadline for payment and Council has asked other taxpayers to meet the deadline of December 1, 1996 therefore we cannot justify further extension for Mitchell's Variety. Motion carried.

5. Telephone conversation Mr. Young-Mayor Tulk informed Council that Mr. Young called him on Friday, November 8, 1996 to inform him that the long term plan was to operate Fortune Plant from January to March during 1997. Marystown will commence operation in June. If anything should arise to jeopardize the Marystown operation, then Fortune and Harbour Breton plants will close. Mr. Young said he was very pleased with the production at Fortune.

It was agreed the Finance Committee would negotiate with FPI the grant in lieu of taxes the same as was in 1996.

6. Logwood Road-submission has been forwarded to the Bank of Nova Scotia not to exceed \$70,000.00-Bank is withholding decision on same pending receipt of financial statements or confirmation from the Dept. of Municipal Affairs re the balance of the project. Presentation submitted to Hon. Judy Foote and to Mr. Jim Piercey at her constituency office in Grand Bank-Town Manager talked to Mr. Piercey and he felt that the Minister would come through with funding but he did not know by what format, if it would be 75/25 etc.

Work on the road itself was somewhat slow the first week or so. Town Manager in contact with Mr. William Mills, P. Eng. Bae-NewPlan Consultants Ltd., regarding the type of fill being put back. Mr. Mills will visit site and Town Manager will put his concerns in writing to Mr. Mills.

## Correspondence:

1. Grand Bank Come Home Year Committee requested use of Fortune Arena for July 25, 1996 dance per Kevin Bungay. It was agreed the Come Home Year Committee could use the Arena at a cost of \$300.00 as per the approved rate schedule of the Arena. Tables and chairs would not be included in this rate.



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2. Donation to Santa Clause Parade-\$200.00 budgeted.
3. Mayor of Port-aux-Basques-relocation of Marine Atlantic Inc. operation to Newfoundland. It was agreed to write a letter of support.
4. Gladys Durnford/Louis Stacey business permit-liquidation center.

Be It Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Thornhill and seconded by Deputy Mayor Penwell approval for the new business permit be granted pending approval from all other regulatory departments. Motion carried.

5. Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals-request for a donation-no budget allocation.
6. George Rose-employment position in Arena canteen or a contract to operate the canteen for the ice season. It was agreed to operate the canteen as in prior years.
7. Fire Department request for authorization to purchase 1-pail of floor wax at a cost of \$75.00 plus tax.

Be It Resolved: It was moved by Deputy Mayor Penwell and seconded by Councillor Piercey that authorization be given to the Fire Department to purchase 1-pail of floor wax at a cost of \$75.00 plus tax. Motion carried.

- 8a. Dinner meeting-Granny's Motor Inn with Provincial Fisheries Minister-John Eford, Thursday November 14, 1996 at 6:00 pm also following the dinner meeting there will be an open forum at the Fortune Lions Den at 8:00 pm.
- 8b. Liberal Party having dinner and dance fund-raiser on Friday, November 15, 1996. Hon. Judy Foote and 6 other Ministers of Government will be in attendance. Cost is \$12.50 per person. Mayor to attend.

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Be It Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Barnes and seconded by Councillor Reid that the Town Council would incur expenses for Councillors and Mayor to attend this dinner and the cost of the Liberal fund-raiser Friday, November 15, 1996. Motion carried.

9. Arena Schedule-would remain the same as last year until the Finance Committee had made a final decision regarding time of daily operation.

Mayor Tulk informed Council of some parents feedback regarding a door charge for the very first Family Skating hour on Saturday November 16, 1996. Town Manager informed that this policy of free skating was changed a couple of year ago.

10. Window glass replacement-Community Center. It was agreed to have a light installed on the back of the Community Center to help prevent vandalism. General discussion followed regarding the expenses and income of the Center. It was agreed the Finance Committee would meet with Councillor Barnes to discuss same.
11. Nicholas Dominie--request for Business Permit for Body Shop and Small Repairs. Be it Resolved: It was moved by Councillor King and seconded by Councillor Thornhill the permit be granted pending approval from all other regulatory departments. Motion carried.
12. Request Councillor Reid-wondered if a photocopy of the plans for our Multi Purpose Field could be sent to the Lions Club of Dildo since they were trying to set up the same thing. Town Manager to contact Albert Williams of Bae-NewPlan for permission to do so.
13. Request Georgie Forsey to have her poll tax invoice wavered since her husband was incarcerated and she was the sole income earner-Town Manager to contact our Solicitors for a ruling.

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14. Danny Noseworthy, Department of Municipal Affairs-Town Manager informed Council that Mr. Noseworthy stated that someone must be appointed Town Clerk in the absence of our regular Town Clerk.

Be it Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Piercey and seconded by Councillor Reid that the Town Manager's classification be changed to Town Manager/Clerk during the period of the regular Town Clerk's time off. Motion carried.

15. Mayor Tulk recommended that when the Finance Committee is preparing the budget for 1997 they include some funding for promotional material of Fortune.

Accounts Payable-Be It Resolved: It was moved by Councillor King and seconded by Councillor Barnes the accounts payable be approved in the amount of \$24,313.00 as presented. Motion carried.

Be It Resolved: It was moved by Councillor Piercey and seconded by Councillor Barnes the meeting adjourn at 10:30 pm. Motion carried.

  
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Mayor

  
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Office Clerk



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## Agenda

### Council Meeting

Tuesday, November 12, 1996

#### General:

1. Bus shelters, parents concerned over children's safety-  
requested crosswalks.  
  
Paint cost \$256.00; Labour?
- 1b. Who will be responsible for snow removal from bus shelters?
2. Old postage meter obsolete, present lease cost is \$269.10  
plus applicable taxes, lease cost for new meter would be  
\$315.00 plus applicable taxes. Council position to lease  
new postage meter.
3. (a) Municipal Budget  
(b) Workers Agreement  
(c) Refinancing of Loan-NMFC  
(d) Five year capital works program
4. Application for deferral of Municipal Tax payments.

#### Correspondence:

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Arena for July 25, 1996-Dance Kevin Bungay-832-1377.
2. Donation to Santa Clause Parage-\$200.00 budgeted.
3. Mayor-Port-aux-Basques-relocation of Marine Atlantic Inc.  
operation to Newfoundland. Requesting Council's support.
4. Gladys Durnford/Louis Stacey-business permit.
5. Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals-request for  
a donation.
6. George Rose-employment position in canteen Arena, or a  
contract to operate the canteen for the ice season.
7. Fire Dept. request authorization to purchase 1-pail floor  
wax-\$75.00 plus taxes.





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8. Dinner meeting-Granny's Motor Inn-Provincial Fisheries Minister-John Efford Thursday November 14, 1996 at 6:00 pm-Mayor.
9. Arena Schedule
10. Window glass replacement-Community Center.
11. Nicholas Dominie-request for Business Permit.