



The Town of Fortune

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Minutes of a special meeting of council
Of the Town of Fortune, held at the
Fortune Municipal Center,
March 22, 2017 at 3:00 p.m.

Members Present

Mayor

Charles Penwell

Councillors:

James Dunne
Patrick Parsons
Dave Holloway

Also Present

Chief Administrative Officer

Corey Parsons

New Business

1. Arena Floor Replacement Project 17-SCF-16-00032

CAO Parsons provided an update on the above noted project. Tenders closed on Tuesday, March 14, 2017 with 3 bids. The lowest bidder of \$1,206,105.05 failed to meet the guidelines of the tender specifications, consequently invoking Section 6(h) of the Public Tender Act, rejecting the bid. The next lowest bid was from Blue Bird Investments for \$1,362,750. The funding level for this project is \$1,442,594. The Prime Consultant Agreement with SNC Lavalin is \$112,718.26. Therefore, the project is now \$32,874.26 over budget.

As well, it was the original agreement to have the Arena Managers wages paid through this project, as site supervisor/inspector, rather than an inspector from SNC Lavalin.

The Town has received from SNC Lavalin a letter of recommendation to award the project to Blue Bird Investment based on meeting the tender specifications.

There has been correspondence from the lowest bidder threatening legal action. However, the Town has received correspondence from the Department of Municipal Affairs that the lowest bidder has been rightly rejected based on section 6(h) of the Public Tendering Act, and that the Town proceed with a resolution of Council to award the project to Blue Bird Investment, considering there is still an overrun of \$32,874.26.



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CAO Parsons presented the following options that Council has: cancel the project, request additional funding, re-tender the project with a new scope of work, request to the Minister to transfer funds from other projects, apply for gas tax funding or as the CAO recommends to approve the tender as presented, agreeing that there is an overage of \$32,874, provided that the CAO and Arena Manager meet with the contractor to identify savings, changes, etc to bring the project back within budget.

There were a number of items the CAO identified as potential savings including: mechanical upgrades, concrete testing, electric glass lift and storage carts, cleaning of the lines and disposal of old concrete. CAO advised that all efforts should be kept to keep the light replacement and super heaters as these items are investments that will improve the financial operations in the future.

Motion 2017-03-22-01 Councillor Parsons/Councillor Dunne

Resolved that the Town of Fortune accept the tender of \$1,362,750 from Blue Bird Investments Ltd for the arena floor replacement project, 17-SCF-16-00032, which includes covering the tender overrun of \$32,874. The lowest bidder for \$1,206,105.05 is rejected due to Section 6(h) of the Public Tendering Act, as recommended by SNC Lavalin and the Department of Municipal Affairs.

In favour: Mayor C. Penwell
 Councillors: J. Dunne, D. Holloway & P. Parsons

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion 2017-03-22-02 Councillor Holloway/Councillor Dunne

Resolved to adjourn the regular council meeting at 3:50p.m.



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

Opposed: 0.
Motion carried.



Mayor Penwell

Chief Administrative Officer Parsons