



The Town of Fortune

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Minutes of a Regular Meeting of Fortune Town Council at the Fortune Municipal Center Wednesday, April 24, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

<i>Members Present:</i>	Deputy Mayor	Jennifer Stacey
	Councillors	Kenneth Keeping Roy Kendell Paul Peach Rita Piercey
<i>Absent with Regrets:</i>	Mayor Councillor	Deanne Hickman Rodney Rose
<i>Also Present:</i>	CAO Town Clerk	Linda Collier Lacey Symes

Additions/Adoption to Agenda:

Deputy Mayor Stacey asked if there were any additions to the Agenda of April 24, 2024.

Delegation Sherry Brady 6:00 p.m.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

3. Robert's Rules
4. Municipal Awareness Week- Proclamation
5. Newfoundland & Labrador Community Transportation
6. Municipal Information Network

CORRESPONDENCE:

Burin Peninsula SPCA- Donation Request
Terry Fox Foundation- Donation Request

Motion 2024-04-24-01: Councillor **KEEPING**/Councillor **PEACH**

Be it resolved that the Agenda of April 24, 2024 meeting be adopted with the noted additions.

In favour: Deputy Mayor Stacey
 Councillors: Keeping, Kendell, Peach & Piercey
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.



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Delegation Sherry Brady 6:00 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Stacey welcomed Sherry Brady to the Council Meeting. Sherry attended the Council Meeting on behalf of two separate concerns- Peddlers Tax Business Application Fee & the additional Water/Sewer Tax for her basement apartment.

Sherry advised the Peddler's Tax in the amount of \$100 is understandable; however, was seeking to forfeit the \$60.00 Business Tax Application Fee. Council pointed out that the \$60.00 Business Application Fee is a onetime fee.

Sherry explained that each year she has to seek an exemption for the additional Water/Sewer Fee invoiced for the apartment at her house, her in-laws are residing in the basement apartment; however, paying no amenities/rent. CAO Collier pointed out that the reason for the additional Water/Sewer Rate is in regards to the extra usage/consumption of water.

CAO Collier advised Sherry that Council will reviewed her request & correspondence will be sent to her regarding their decision.

Deputy Mayor Stacey thanked Sherry for attending the Council Meeting.

Adoption of Minutes:

Deputy Mayor Stacey asked if there were any errors or omissions to the Minutes from the Regular Council meeting held on March 27, 2024 as presented.

Councillor's Forum – Councillor Piercey to be revised to: "Councillor Piercey advised she has received an inquiry with respect to public works truck usage. CAO recommended deferring this matter to the Public Works, Infrastructure and Protective Services Standing Committee of Council for their next meeting."

Motion 2024-04-24-02: Councillor PEACH /Councillor KEEPING

Be it resolved to adopt the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of March 27, 2024 with revisions as noted.

In favour: Deputy Mayor Stacey
 Councillors: Keeping, Kendell, Peach & Piercey
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Crown Land Referral- William Thornhill:

Motion 2024-04-24-03: Councillor PIERCEY/Councillor KEEPING



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Be it resolved to approve the Crown Land Referral for William Thornhill- File Reference No. 1042632.

In favour: Deputy Mayor Stacey
Councillors: Keeping, Kendell, Peach & Piercey
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

2. Water/Sewer Hookup Charges- Eldon Street:

Motion 2024-04-24-04: Councillor **PIERCEY** /Councillor **PEACH**

To approve the \$500.00 Water/Sewer Connection Fee to Mark Collins to accommodate the commercial development for the Low Income Housing units.

In favour: Deputy Mayor Stacey
Councillors: Keeping, Kendell, Peach & Piercey
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

3. Robert's Rules:

Motion 2024-04-24-05: Councillor **PEACH**/Councillor **KENDELL**

Be it resolved to revise Roberts Rules to reflect the Regular Meetings of Council to be held on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

In favour: Deputy Mayor Stacey
Councillors: Keeping, Kendell, Peach & Piercey
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

4. Municipal Awareness Week- Proclamation:

Motion 2024-04-24-06: Councillor **PIERCEY**/Councillor **KEEPING**

Be it resolved to proclaim May 5th - 11th Municipal Awareness Week & to Connect with the local K-12 schools for civic engagement, for Lake Academy Students host a Town Crest Logo Coloring Contest with a prize of \$50.00 & John Burke Students to send in a written response to "what is important to you in within the Town of Fortune" for a prize of \$100.00 & a chance to be an Honorary Mayor at a Council Meeting.

In favour: Deputy Mayor Stacey
Councillors: Keeping, Kendell, Peach & Piercey
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.



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5. Newfoundland & Labrador Community Transportation Program:

Defer

6. Municipal Information Network:

Consensus of Council to not participate.

FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS:

➤ Payables: March 26, 2024- April 18, 2024

Motion 2024-04-24-07: Councillor **PEACH**/Councillor **KEEPING**

Be it resolved to approve the financial transactions dated March 26, 2024 to April 18, 2024.

In favour: Deputy Mayor Stacey
Councillors: Keeping, Kendell, Peach & Piercey
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

EXEMPTIONS/ADJUSTMENTS:

#BRADT005 2023 Poll Tax Exemption

Proper support Documentation provided proving income.

Motion 2024-04-24-08: Councillor **KENDELL**/Councillor **PEACH**

Be it resolved to approve the 2023 & 2024 Poll Tax Exemption request for #BRADT005 as per income, proper supporting documentation provided.

In favour: Deputy Mayor Stacey
Councillors: Keeping, Kendell, Peach & Piercey
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Burin Peninsula SPCA- Donation Request:

Motion 2024-04-24-09: Councillor **KEEPING**/Councillor **PIERCEY**



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Be it resolved to donate \$100.00 as per previous years to the Burin Peninsula SPCA.

In favour: Deputy Mayor Stacey
Councillors: Keeping, Kendell, Peach & Piercey
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

Terry Fox Foundation- Donation Request: Defer to Finance Committee.

PERMITS:

Building Permits

#THORC001 16 Hickman Place Fence/Dog Pen

Defer until proper signature is obtained on the application.

CAO REPORT:

-In regards to the delegate- Sherry Brady request (Peddler's Business Tax Application Fee & Additional Water/Sewer Fee) CAO Collier recommended to defer to Finance Committee- projected date to meet would be the week of April 29, 2024 & to follow up with Sherry via correspondence after decision is made.

-There was no negative feedback received regarding the Accessibility Plan; therefore, seeking a motion to approve.

Motion 2024-04-24-10: Councillor **PIERCEY**/Councillor **KEEPING**

Be it resolved to approve the Town of Fortune's Accessibility Plan.

In favour: Deputy Mayor Stacey
Councillors: Keeping, Kendell, Peach & Piercey
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

-Provide a summary of the Briefing Note from the meeting with the Town of Grand Bank regarding the Community Collaborative Grant.

-Received an inquiry regarding a property that is considered to have the civic address of Eldon Street; however, are accessible through a right of way. It was decided to defer to Public Works/Infrastructure & Protective Services Committee to further discuss.

-Recreation NL Conference: Two members expressed interest to participate; however, later advised they were unable to attend, the deadline for cancelation has expired; therefore, the registration fees are non refundable. CAO Collier had sent correspondence to Recreation NL asking to reconsider the decision of the nonrefundable the registration fees. Bring back to the Community Services Committee.



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-Janitorial Services: Miranda Brady will take over the janitorial services as of April 29, 2024 as she has filled in previously, provided a code of conduct and sent in the lowest bid.

Motion 2024-04-24-11: Councillor **PEACH**/Councillor **KEEPING**

Be it resolved to approve Miranda Brady to complete the Janitorial Services.

In favour: Deputy Mayor Stacey
Councillors: Keeping, Kendell, Peach & Piercey
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.

COUNCILLORS FORUM /COMMITTEE REPORTS

Deputy Mayor Stacey: NIL

Councillor Keeping: NIL

Councillor Kendell: NIL

Councillor Peach: NIL

Councillor Piercey: Questioned if there was any update regarding the Public Works Vehicle Use inquiry from last Council Meeting. CAO Collier advised that the Public Works/Infrastructure & Protective Services Committee had met and addressed the issues, there were no concerns.

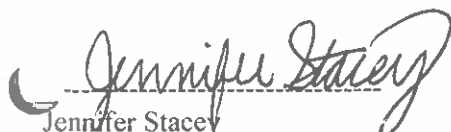
Councillor Peach:

ADJOURNMENT / Next Meeting:

Motion 2024-04-24-12: Councillor **KENDELL**/Councillor **KEEPING**

Be it resolved that the Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at 7:14p.m.

In favour: Deputy Mayor Stacey
Councillors: Keeping, Kendell, Peach & Piercey
Opposed: 0 Motion carried.


Jennifer Stacey
DEPUTY MAYOR


Lacey Symes
TOWN CLERK