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Minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council
Of the Town of Fortune held at the
Fortune Municipal Center
November 1, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Mayor

Deanne Hickman

Deputy Mayor

Terry Fleming

Councillors

Roy Kendell Paul Peach Jennifer Stacey

Absent with Regrets

Councillor

Kenneth Keeping

Also Present:

CAO

Town Clerk

Linda Collier Lacey Symes

Additions/Adoption to Agenda:

Mayor Hickman asked if there were any additions to the Agenda of November 1, 2022.

- 4. Community Enhancement Project
- 5. Downtown Development
- 6. Former Victoria Hall
- 7. Arena Operations

Motion 2022-11-01-01:

Councillor Rose /Councillor Kendell

Resolved that the Agenda of November 1, 2022 meeting be adopted with additions as presented.

In favour:

Mayor Hickman

Deputy Mayor Fleming

Councillors: Kendell, Peach, Rose & Stacey

Opposed:

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Motion carried.

Adoption of Minutes:

Mayor Hickman asked if there were any errors or omissions to the Minutes from the Regular Council meeting held on October 8, 2022 as presented.

Motion 2022-11-01-02:

Councillor Peach/Councillor Kendell

Resolved to adopt the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of October 18, 2022 as presented.



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In favour:

Mayor Hickman

Deputy Mayor Fleming

Councillors: Kendell, Peach, Rose & Stacey

Opposed:

Motion carried.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Municipal Capital Works Motion:

Motion 2022-11-01-03:

Deputy Mayor Fleming/Councillor Kendell

Resolved to enter into the Municipal Capital Works Agreement for Bunkerhill Phase I accepting the cost-shared anding with the Town of Fortune's 10% portion in the amount of \$98.692, total project value in the amount of ه 1,088,314.

In favour:

Mayor Hickman

Deputy Mayor Fleming

Councillors: Kendell, Peach, Rose & Stacey

Opposed:

Motion carried.

2. Burin Peninsula Voice Against Violence Request:

November 25th to December 10th is recognized as 16 Days of Activism against gender-based violence. Burin Peninsula Voice Against Violence seeking permission to place signs with stats on them around the Horsebrook Walking Trail. Consensus of Council to allow the Burin Peninsula Voice Against Violence to place signs on the Horsebrook Trail.

3. Rules of Procedure for the Conduct of Council Meetings- Time Change/Revision:

Motion 2022-11-01-04:

Councillor Kendell/Councillor Stacey

Resolved to change the time of Council Meetings in the Rules of Procedure for the Conduct of Council Meetings from 6:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

In favour:

Mayor Hickman

Deputy Mayor Fleming

Councillors: Kendell, Peach, Rose & Stacey

Opposed:

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Motion carried.



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4. Community Enhancement Project: Received correspondence from the Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs informing funding under the Community Enhancement Employment Program (CEEP) has been approved in the amount of \$20,566.02.

Motion 2022-11-01-05:

Councillor Kendell/Councillor Stacey

Resolved to approve the Community Enhancement Project, Project #17-CEEP-23-039 Offer of Funding in the amount of \$20,566.02.

In favour:

Mayor Hickman

Deputy Mayor Fleming

Councillors: Kendell, Peach, Rose & Stacey

Opposed: Motion carried.

ouncillor Kendell suggested the long bridge at the Horsebrook Walking Trail be repaired along with the CEEP; however, unable to amend the CEEP, although still noted that bridge is needed for repairs.

5. Downtown Development:

Motion 2022-11-01-06:

Deputy Mayor Fleming/Councillor Kendell

Resolved to approve the preliminary design and area for development and to submit funding applications to ACOA based on the quote received from Innovative NL in the amount of \$431,491.36.

In favour:

Mayor Hickman

Deputy Mayor Fleming

Councillors: Kendell, Peach, Rose & Stacey

Opposed:

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Motion carried.

- 6. Former Victoria Hall Inspection Quote: Having issues finding a company that can provide an "inspection D", received a quote from Pillar To Post Eastern NL; however, it is for a home inspection; therefore, defer this matter. Mayor Hickman to contact ACOA to obtain additional information.
- 7. Arena Cash Operations: There was a discussion regarding the process of how the admission for skating is taken. It was suggested for the door attendant during these skating events (i.e. Family Skate, Public Skate & Adult Skate) to hand out tickets at the gate of the ice surface to ensure all users are paying.

INANCIAL TRANSACTIONS:

Motion 2022-11-01-07:

Councillor Rose/Councillor Peach

Resolved to approve the financial transactions dated October 15, 2022- October 28, 2022.



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In favour:

Mayor Hickman

Deputy Mayor Fleming

Councillors: Kendell, Peach, Rose & Stacey

Opposed:

Motion carried.

EXEMPTIONS/ADJUSTMENTS:

Poll Tax Exemption

#TAYLD001- Letter regarding Poll Tax Exemption

Council discussed the correspondence sent regarding the decision at the last Council Meeting to deny the Poll Tax Exemption Request as per exceeding the exemption amount.

Council was in agreement that it was the correct decision to not approve the Poll Tax Exemption for #TAYLD001 that was abled last Council Meeting (October 18, 2022) as the applicant did exceed the exemption amount as per the Notice of Assessment from CRA.

Applicant had requested to have interest held until 2022 income taxes are submitted/completed to receive a Notice of Assessment for 2022; however, Poll Tax is based on the previous year's income; therefore, 2022 Poll Tax Invoice is based on the applicant's 2021 income. Once applicant receives 2022 Notice of Assessment from CRA & the income is below the exemption amount they will be eligible for 2023 Poll Tax Exemption.

Councillor Kendell left the Council Meeting at 7:16 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Heritage Run- AGM- November 16th: Invitation, Council to advise Office Staff if they would like to attend.

Burin Peninsula Joint Council- AGM- November 26th: Deputy Mayor Fleming will be in attendance as he is a member of the BPJC.

PERMITS: NIL

CAO REPORT / COUNCILLORS FORUM /COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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Human Resources/Public Works Committee:

Councillor Rose advised Council that there was a meeting held on October 26th regarding an issue brought forward by CAO Collier regarding safety concerns/issue in regards to Public Works Staff.

Council discussed these matters & it was a consensus of Council for Office Staff to look into Teamwork/Team Building training courses for all staff (inside & outside) to attend together. Town Clerk Symes to obtain training options from Gary Summers & report back to Council with options received.



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Community Services Committee:

Councillor Stacey advised the Trunk or Treat was a great success & is receiving a lot of positive feedback. Currently waiting to hear back from the Lion's Club to plan the Christmas Events.

COUNCILLOR'S FORUM:

Mayor Hickman: NIL

Deputy Mayor Fleming: NIL

Councillor Kendell: NIL

Councillor Peach: : NIL

'ouncillor Rose: NIL

Councillor Stacey: : NIL

ADJOURNMENT / Next Meeting:

Motion 2022-11-01-08:

Councillor Peach/Councillor Stacey

Resolved to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting at 7:22 p.m., next meeting scheduled for November 15, 2022.

In favour:

Mayor Hickman

Deputy Mayor Fleming

Councillors: Kendell, Peach, Rose & Stacey

Opposed:

Motion carried.

Mayor Hickman