

**Town of Kippens**  
**Regular Council Meeting, January 11, 2018**

Minutes of a regular meeting of the council  
of the Town of Kippens, held in the  
Town Hall, January 11, 2018 at 8:09 P.M.

<b>Members Present</b>	Mayor	Debbie Brake-Patten
	Deputy Mayor	Leon Benoit
	Councillors	Wayne Howlett
		Heather Shears
		Tim Alexander
		John Dawson
<b>Absent with Regrets</b>	Councillors	Shawn Boyd
<b>Also Present:</b>	Town Clerk	Debbie Cormier
	CAO/Town Manager	Leonard Hann

**Motion #7/18:** Motion by Councillor Dawson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Benoit, be it hereby resolved to adopt the December 14, 2017 Council Meeting Minutes.

**In favour:** Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors T. Alexander, W. Howlett, J. Dawson and H. Shears

**Opposed:** 0

**Abstaining:** 0

**Motion Carried**

**Motion #8/18:** Motion by Councillor Alexander, seconded by Councillor Shears, be it hereby resolved to adopt the January 11, 2018 Council Meeting Agenda.

**In favour:** Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors T. Alexander, W. Howlett, J. Dawson and H. Shears

**Opposed:** 0

**Abstaining:** 0

**Motion Carried**

**Financial**

**Motion #9/18:** Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Councillor Alexander, be it hereby resolved to approve the invoices totaling \$75,078.88.

**In favour:** Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors T. Alexander, W. Howlett, J. Dawson and H. Shears

**Opposed:** 0

**Abstaining:** 0

**Motion Carried**

**Councillors J. Dawson and T. Alexander declared conflict of interest on the following agenda item and left the chamber.**

**Motion #10/18:** Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Deputy Mayor Benoit, be it hereby resolved to approve a contribution of \$7,000.00 for the replacement of light fixtures at the Regional Aquatic Centre. This will be a one-time additional contribution. Contribution to be forwarded upon receipt of a copy of the invoice for work completed.

**In favour:** Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors W. Howlett and H. Shears

**Opposed:** 0

**Abstaining:** 0

**Motion Carried**

**Councillors J. Dawson and T. Alexander returned to the council chamber.**

**Motion #11/18:** Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Deputy Mayor Benoit, be it hereby resolved to write off outstanding poll for two resident for 2016 and 2017 no longer residing in Kippens totaling \$639.00

**In favour:** Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors T. Alexander, W. Howlett, J. Dawson and H. Shears

**Opposed:** 0

**Abstaining:** 0

**Motion Carried**

**Motion #12/18:** Motion by Councillor Howlett, be it hereby resolved to provide the sponsorship of a calendar for the Flat Bay Mi'kmaq Village.

**No Secunder**

**Motion Defeated**

**Motion #13/18:** Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Councillor Dawson, be it hereby resolved to approve the payment for membership to Federation of Canadian Municipalities for 2018.

**In favour:** Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors T. Alexander, W. Howlett, J. Dawson and H. Shears

**Opposed:** 0

**Abstaining:** 0

**Motion Carried**

**New Business**

**Permits**

**Motion #14/18:** Motion by Deputy Mayor Benoit, seconded by Councillor Howlett be it hereby resolved to rescind motion #127/17.

**In favour:** Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors T. Alexander, W. Howlett, J. Dawson and H. Shears

**Opposed:** 0

**Abstaining:** 0

**Motion Carried**

**Motion#15/18:** Motion by Deputy Mayor Benoit, seconded by Councillor Howlett be it hereby resolved to grant a permit to build a garage at 23 Orchard Lane, being in full compliance.

**In favour:** Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors T. Alexander, W. Howlett, J. Dawson and H. Shears

**Opposed:** 0

**Abstaining:** 0

**Motion Carried**

**Motion#16/18:** Motion by Deputy Mayor Benoit, be it hereby resolved to grant a permit to build a Steel Seacan Storgae Unit at 13 Cedar Drive, being in full compliance.

**No Seconder**

**Motion Defeated**

### **Additional Business**

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Planning & Development/Public Works**

Deputy Mayor Benoit reported that despite the bad weather lately the operators are keeping the roads in good shape. It is recommended that residents not leave their vehicles on the road so that snow clearing measures will not be affected.

#### **Recreation**

Councillor Shears reported that winter carnival will be February 9, 10 and 11<sup>th</sup>. The committee is in the process of picking the carnival slogan. Volunteers are welcomed.

#### **Fire Department**

Councillor Alexander reported that the training is ongoing.

#### **Finances**

Councillor Howlett reported that the 2018 budget has been submitted to Municipal Affairs. The mil rate and water taxes remain the same with no increase.

#### **Beautification/Communications**

Councillor Dawson complimented the town manager on keeping the town sign current and attractive. Plans are underway to print Kippens Matters on a quarterly basis again. Synopsis of council meetings will be forwarded to The Western Star for inclusion in the paper.

#### **Mayor's Report**

Mayor D. Brake-Patten extended condolences to the families of Agnes Benoit and Edna Alexander. A strategic planning session is scheduled for January 27, 2018 at the Community Centre. Everyone is welcomed. The session will focus a number of topics and input is encouraged. Staff restructuring and job descriptions are being reviewed. The Town is again involved with the Community Education Network Linkage program. Garbage collection has become an important topic for communities as the tipping fees increase drastically. The Town will consider reducing the number of allowable garbage bags to be put to the curb each week.

**Motion #17/18:** Motion by Councillor Dawson, be it hereby resolved to adjourn the Council Meeting.

**In favour:** Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors S. Boyd, W. Howlett and H. Shears

**Opposed:** 0

**Abstaining:** 0

**Motion Carried**

Council meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m. Next regular council meeting is scheduled for February 8, 2018.

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Debbie Cormier, Town Clerk

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Mayor Debbie Brake-Patten