

**Town of Kippens**  
**Regular Council Meeting, January 10, 2019**  
Minutes of a regular meeting of the council  
of the Town of Kippens, held in the  
Town Hall, January 10, 2019 at 9:00 P.M.

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

**Motion #1/19:** Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Deputy Mayor Benoit, be it hereby resolved to adopt the December 17, 2018 Council Meeting Minutes.

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

**Opposed:** 0

**Abstaining:** 0

**Motion Carried**

**Motion #2/19:** Motion by Deputy Mayor Benoit, seconded by Councillor Shears, be it hereby resolved to adopt the January 10, 2019 Council Meeting Agenda.

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

**Opposed:** 0

**Abstaining:** 0

**Motion Carried**

**Financial**

**Motion #3/19:** Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Councillor Shears, be it hereby resolved to approve the invoices totaling \$61,719.82.

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

**Opposed:** 0

**Abstaining:** 0

**Motion Carried**

**Councillor S. Boyd declared a conflict of interest on the following invoice list, as he performed work for the Town and vacated the chamber.**

**Motion #4/19:** Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Councillor Shears, be it hereby resolved to approve the invoices totaling \$5,702.65.

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

**Opposed:** 0

**Abstaining:** 0

**Motion Carried**

**Councillor S. Boyd returned to the chamber.**

**Councillor H. Shears declared a conflict of interest on the following invoice list which included a relative and vacated the chamber.**

**Motion #5/19:** Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Councillor Boyd, be it hereby resolved to approve the invoices totaling \$22.12.

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

**Opposed:** 0

**Abstaining:** 0

**Motion Carried**

**Councillor H. Shears returned to the chamber.**

**Motion #6/19:** Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Councillor Boyd be it hereby resolved that the Town of donate \$500.00 as a one-time donation to the Southwest Coast SPCA.

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

**Opposed:** 0

**Abstaining:** 0

**Motion Carried**

## **New Business**

### **Permits**

### **Additional Business**

Mayor Brake-Patten noted that in response to a request from the public for a public forum, February 4 and 5 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm has been set aside for this purpose. Both sessions will be the same. All are encouraged to attend and voice your opinion.

Mayor Brake-Patten commented that regionalization is a current topic and while the Town of Kippens has shared services for many years, changes may be coming. If the government is going to encourage regionalization, perhaps we need to re-evaluate how the Town of Kippens is run and look at other options. The public will be kept advised and perhaps a public forum will be held for further discussion.

## **Committee Reports**

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

Deputy Mayor L. Benoit asked that residents to be patient with snow clearing especially during a heavy snowfall. It is inevitable that snow will accumulate in driveways. The operators are doing a great job in some extreme weather.

### **Fire Department/Recreation**

Councillor H. Shears had nothing to report on the fire department.

Councillor H. Shears reported that kids Christmas party was well received. The Recreation Committee is currently planning the winter carnival for February 8, 9 and 10<sup>th</sup>. All are invited to attend. Flyers will be distributed with details.

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

Councillor S. Boyd reminded residents to be patient with the weather this time of year.

### **Finance/Trails**

Councillor W. Howlett commended the staff on completing a balanced budget in excess of 2.2 million dollars.

Councillor W. Howlett reported that the trails committee presented a five year phase plan for the trail system. Community walking trails attract buyers to the area. The volunteer committee members Graham Oliver and Bill Alexander bring a great deal of trail development experience to the table. A public meeting will be held in late spring for public input and to recruit volunteers for labour.

**Mayors Report**

Mayor D. Brake-Patten reported that the lead hand is back to work. The main goal is to advance the Town of Kippens. The green committee will be meeting next week to discuss a green team project and the climate projection program.

**Motion #7/19:** Motion by Deputy Mayor Benoit, seconded by Councillor Shears be it hereby resolved to adjourn the Council Meeting.

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

**Opposed:** 0

**Abstaining:** 0

**Motion Carried**

Council meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m. Next regular council meeting is scheduled for February 14, 2019.

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Debbie Cormier, Town Clerk

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Mayor Debbie Brake-Patten