

Council Meeting, May 9, 2019
Minutes of a meeting of the council
of the Town of Kippens, held in the
Town Hall, May 9, 2019 at 6:35 PM

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

Motion #58/19: Motion by Councillor Shears, seconded by Councillor Howlett, be it hereby resolved to adopt the April 11, 2019 Council Meeting Minutes.

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

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Motion Carried

Motion #59/19: Motion by Deputy Mayor Benoit, seconded by Councillor Shears, be it hereby resolved to adopt the May 9, 2019 Council Meeting Agenda.

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

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Motion Carried

Financial

Motion #60/19: Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Councillor Alexander, be it hereby resolved to approve the accounts payable totaling \$38,062.73

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

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Motion Carried

New Business

Deputy Mayor Benoit declared that the Town auditor is his brother-in-law and he wanted council to be advised if they considered him to be in conflict of interest. Council decided that Deputy Mayor Benoit was not in conflict as the gas tax audit is a record of what was received and spent on the gas tax account.

Motion #61/19: Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Councillor Shears be it hereby resolved to accept the Gas Tax Audit.

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

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Motion Carried

Permits

Motion #62/19: Motion by Deputy Mayor Benoit, seconded by Councillor Alexander, be it hereby resolved to grant a permit to build a greenhouse at 261 Kippens Road, being in full compliance.

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

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Motion Carried

Motion #63/19: Motion by Councillor Benoit, seconded by Councillor Alexander be it hereby resolved to grant a permit to build a greenhouse at 8 Simons Drive, being in full compliance.

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

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Motion Carried

Motion #64/19: Motion by Councillor Benoit, seconded by Councillor Shears be it hereby resolved to grant a permit to build a shed at 10 Fir Avenue, being in full compliance.

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

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Motion #65/19: Motion by Councillor Benoit, seconded by Councillor Howlett be it hereby resolved to grant a permit to build a shed at 31 Kippens Road, being in full compliance.

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

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Additional Business

Discussion held on the upcoming election for MHA, HR meeting issues and conflict of interest.

Motion #66/19: Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Councillor Benoit be it hereby resolved to advertise for request for proposals for a new town planner.

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

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Deputy Mayor Benoit updated council on recommendations for the McCarthy's Lane Project.

Mayor Brake-Patten stated for the record that Councillor Boyd would not be able to bid on the culvert work on Seaside Drive as he was involved in a discussion on the work and did not declare a conflict of interest.

Motion #67/19: Motion by Councillor Benoit, seconded by Councillor Alexander be it hereby resolved to tender for a culvert work on Seaside Drive in order to eliminate water problems.

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

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Committee Reports

Finance

Councillor Howlett had nothing to report.

Trails Committee

Councillor Howlett submitted minutes of meeting to be accepted at next council meeting. Volunteers will be involved in the next committee meeting. The committee is engaged in discussions with family land owners so that they are aware and part of the process. Safety and supervision issues will be discussed with all workers and volunteers. The federal MP office has been contacted regarding funding.

Recreation

Councillor Alexander reported that the recreation committee will begin planning for the Canada Day celebrations in the coming weeks.

Public Works/Planning & Development

Councillor Benoit stated that he already discussed plans for improvements on Seaside Drive and McCarthy's Lane. Many residents that Councillor Benoit spoke to are excited about the plans for their street. Plans for the end of McCarthy's Lane include a fifteen foot extension to the current waterline in order to preserve the cul-de sac pavement. There are no new home starts at this time in Kippens as well as other Bay St. George communities. Areas with snow clearing damage will be address soon.

Top soil will be ordered. Residents with concerns about snow damage to their property are asked to report this to the town office.

Fire Department

Councillor Shears reported that 14 fire fighters attended the last monthly meeting.

Councillor Shears reminded residents to read the unacceptable items list on the back of the cleanup flyer.

Mayor's Report

Mayor D. Brake-Patten reminded residents about cleanup week. Mayor stated WRWM is a big nightmare and our joint council needs to meet and get control of the situation. Mayor Brake-Patten attended a meeting of the Bay St. George Concerned Citizens Committee at a resident's home as well as at the college. This is a very active citizens group and their philosophy is "it doesn't matter who is in power, we are in power".

Motion #68/19: Motion by Councillor Shears, seconded by Councillor Benoit be it hereby resolved to adjourn the Council Meeting.

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

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Motion Carried

Council meeting adjourned at 7:34p.m. Next regular council meeting is scheduled for June 13, 2019.

Debbie Cormier, Town Clerk

Debbie Brake-Patten, Mayor