Minutes of Council Meeting February 13, 2025

Mayor Paul Noseworthy
Deputy Mayor Eric Nippard
Councillors Derek House

Brian House Erle Barrett Troy Duffy Vince McGrath

Town Clerk Florence Barter CAO/Manager Justin Chinn

One resident was in attendance.

Mayor P. Noseworthy called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

<u>Motion 8 /25:</u> Motion by Deputy Mayor Nippard seconded by Councillor E. Barrett, be it hereby resolved to adopt the January 9, 2025, Council Meeting Minutes.

In **Favour:** Mayor P. Noseworthy, Deputy Mayor E. Nippard, Councillors D. House, B House, E Barrett, T. Duffy & V. McGrath.

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

Motion 9/25: Motion by Councillor B. House seconded by Deputy Mayor E. Nippard, be it resolved to adopt the January 15 Special Council Meeting Minutes.

In Favor: Mayor P. Noseworthy, Deputy Mayor E. Nippard, Councillors D. House, B. House, E. Barrett, T. Duffy & V. McGrath.

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

<u>Motion 10 /25:</u> Motion by Councillor D. House seconded by Deputy Mayor E. Nippard, be it hereby resolved to adopt the February 13, 2025 Council Meeting Agenda.

In Favor: Mayor P. Noseworthy, Deputy Mayor E. Nippard, Councillors B. House, D. House, E. Barrett, T. Duffy & V. McGrath.

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

Financial

Motion 11/25: Motion by Councillor D. House seconded by Councillor E. Barrett, be it hereby resolved to approve the Invoice list for January 2025 in the amount of

\$83,833.98

In **Favour:** Mayor P. Noseworthy, Deputy Mayor E. Nippard, Councillors D. House, B. House, E.

Barrett, T. Duffy & V. McGrath.

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

New Business

Resolution to have one Municipal Election for Council

Resolution 12/25: Resolution by Councillor V. McGrath seconded by Councillor T. Duffy that, according to SNL 2023, Chapter T-6.2 of the Towns and Local Service Districts Act Section 27(1) which states that the minister may direct that there be a separate election of the mayor in the first election of a town council or in an election of a town council ordered by the minister.

- (2) A town council may by a vote of 2/3 of the Councillors in office, and
- 2(B) Change the decision in paragraph (A); or
- (3) Where a person is not nominated for mayor in an election provided for under subsection (1) or (2), a mayor may be elected by the Councillors from amongst the Councillors as if a provision had not been made for the separate election of the mayor.

In Favor: Mayor P. Noseworthy, Deputy Mayor E. Nippard, Councillors B. House, D. House, T. Duffy, E. Barrett and V. McGrath.

Abstained: 0 Opposed: 0 Motion Carried

Extend 2025 Tax Deadline

Motion 13/25: Motion by Councillor E. Barrett seconded by Deputy Mayor E. Nippard to extend the deadline for tax payments from March 31 to April 30, 2025. This is due to the town waiting for its 2025 Municipal Budget to be approved by the Department of Municipal Affairs.

In Favor: Mayor P. Noseworthy, Deputy Mayor E. Nippard, Councillors E. Barrett, D. House, B. House, T. Duffy and V. McGrath.

Abstained: 0 Opposed: 0 Motion Carried

Ongoing Planning Service

SCP submitted a Proposal to the Town of Kippens – Municipal Planning Services. Council discussed the proposal and decided to defer a decision until more information could be obtained.

Additional Business

Motion 14/25: Motion by Councillor T. Duffy seconded by Councillor D. House to approve \$750.00 for sponsorship in the Whaleback Nordic Ski Club ongoing programming for 2025.

In Favor: Mayor P. Noseworthy, Deputy Mayor E. Nippard, Councillors D. House, B. House, E. Barrett,

V. McGrath and T. Duffy

Abstaining: 0 Opposed: 0 Motion Carried

Committee Reports

(HR) - Deputy Mayor E. Nippard said that there is some work being done on the town webpage. A videographer was on scene and captured footage of the town and our residents. He also said that more work needs to be done but that it is progressing.

(Permits) – One permit was issued for the month of January. Accessory Building for 2 Country Drive.

(Recreation) – Mayor P. Noseworthy informed residents that the Winter Carnival will take place March 7, 8 & 9. We welcome any volunteers for the actual activities or to sit on the committee.

There were no other committee reports.

CAO/Manager Report

All In Favor

- Snow Clearing Complaints are being dealt with as they come in.
- Snow is being pushed back for safety reasons
- The Town of Kippens has a right of way in which snow clearing operators can access while working.
- Private driveways are not being cleared. The objective is to keep the roads clear.
- Snow Blower is being used when feasible.
- The Snowmobile federation has a groomed trail.
- Wood cutting permits more discussion required regarding the groomed trail.

Mayor Noseworthy thanked the resident for attending the meeting and said that next meeting will be held on March 13, 2025.

Motion 15/25: Motion by Councillor D. House seconded by Councillor B. House to adjourn the meeting at 6:56.

Mayor Town Clerk