Council Meeting, June 10, 2021

Minutes of a meeting of the council of the Town of Kippens, held at the Town Office & on Facebook, June 10, 2021, at 6:30PM

Members Present Mayor Debbie Brake-Patten

Deputy Mayor Leon Benoit (phone)

Councillors Tim Alexander

Wayne Howlett Heather Shears Shawn Boyd

Also Present: Acting Town Clerk Josie Noseworthy

I would like to begin by acknowledging the Indigenous People of all the land that we are on today. While we meet today on a virtual platform, I would like to take a moment to acknowledge the importance of the land which we each call home. We do this to reaffirm our commitment and responsibility in improving relationships between nations and to improve our own understanding of local Indigenous people and their cultures.

From Coast to Coast to Coast we acknowledge the ancestral and unceded territory of all the Inuit, Metis and First Nations people that called this land home.

Please join me in a moment of reflection to acknowledge the harm and mistakes of the past and to consider how we are and can each in our own way, try to move forward in a spirit of reconciliation and collaboration.

<u>Motion #69/21:</u> Motion by Councillor Alexander, seconded by Councillor Boyd, be it hereby resolved to appoint Josie Noseworthy as Acting Town Clerk for this Council Meeting.

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

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

Motion #70/21: Motion by Councillor Shears, seconded by Councillor Alexander, be it hereby resolved to adopt the May 7, 2021, Emergency Council Meeting Minutes.

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

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

<u>Motion #71/21:</u> Motion by Councillor Boyd, seconded by Councillor Shears, be it hereby resolved to adopt the May 20, 2021, Council Meeting Minutes.

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

Opposed: 0 **Abstaining:** 0

Motion Carried

<u>Motion #72/21:</u> Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Councillor Shears, be it hereby resolved to adopt the June 3, 2021, Emergency Council Meeting Minutes.

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

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

<u>Motion #73/21:</u> Motion by Deputy Mayor L. Benoit, seconded by Councillor Shears, be it hereby resolved to adopt the June 10, 2021, Council Meeting Agenda.

In favour: Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors T. Alexander, S. Boyd,

W. Howlett and H. Shears

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

Financial

<u>Motion #74/21:</u> Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Councillor Shears, be it hereby resolved to approve the accounts payable totaling \$48,866.31.

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

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

Mayor D. Brake-Patten declared herself in conflict and left the chambers.

<u>Motion #75/21:</u> Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Councillor Shears, be it hereby resolved to approve the accounts payable totaling \$427.75.

In favour: Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors T. Alexander, S. Boyd, W. Howlett and H.

Shears

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

Mayor D. Brake-Patten returned to the chambers.

<u>Motion #76/21:</u> Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Councillor Shears, be it hereby resolved to approve installation cost for an internet connection box related to the sign in the amount of \$1235.00 HST included.

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

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried <u>Motion #77/21:</u> Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Councillor Boyd, be it hereby resolved to approve to pay for Community Bus decals in the amount of \$24.00 + HST + installation.

In favour: Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors T. Alexander, S. Boyd,

W. Howlett and H. Shears

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

Motion #78/21: Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Councillor Alexander, be it hereby resolved to approve the purchase of the Baseball Back Stops to lowest bidder for \$26,500 plus HST.

In favour: Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors T. Alexander, S. Boyd,

W. Howlett and H. Shears

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

<u>Motion #79/21:</u> Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Councillor Boyd, be it hereby resolved to approve donation to Lions Clubs of District N3 in the amount of \$60.00.

In favour: Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors T. Alexander, S. Boyd,

W. Howlett and H. Shears

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

<u>Motion #80/21:</u> Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Councillor Shears, be it hereby resolved to approve donation to Addiction Recovery Drop-in center in the amount of \$500.

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

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0 **Motion Carried**

<u>Motion #81/21:</u> Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Councillor Alexander, be it hereby resolved to approve corporate sponsorship for BSGCC.

In favour: 0

Opposed: Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors T. Alexander, S. Boyd,

W. Howlett and H. Shears

Abstaining: 0

Motion Carried Denied

<u>Motion #82/21:</u> Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Councillor Alexander, be it hereby resolved to approve donation to Youth Ventures.

In favour: 0

Opposed: Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors T. Alexander, S. Boyd,

W. Howlett and H. Shears

Abstaining: 0

Motion Carried Denied

New Business

Councillor Benoit stated that the Town of Kippens was asked to fly the French flag and gave directions to staff to do so. All of council was in favor.

Permits

<u>Motion #83/21:</u> Motion by Deputy Mayor L. Benoit, seconded by Councillor Alexander, be it hereby resolved to approve permit to build a shed at 37 Island Pond Drive and 129 Kippens Road, being in full compliance.

In favour: Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors T. Alexander, S. Boyd

W. Howlett and H. Shears

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

<u>Motion #84/21:</u> Motion by Deputy Mayor L. Benoit, seconded by Councillor Boyd, be it hereby resolved to approve permit to build a shed extension at 13 Cedar Drive and 7 Birch Drive, being in full compliance.

In favour: Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors T. Alexander, S. Boyd

W. Howlett and H. Shears

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

<u>Motion #85/21:</u> Motion by Deputy Mayor L. Benoit, seconded by Councillor Alexander be it hereby resolved to approve permit to build an attached garage to house at 37 Island Pond Drive, being in full compliance.

In favour: Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors T. Alexander, S. Boyd

W. Howlett and H. Shears

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

<u>Motion #86/21:</u> Motion by Deputy Mayor L. Benoit, seconded by Councillor Boyd, be it hereby resolved to approve permit to erect an auto shelter at 9 Youngsville Drive, being in full compliance. **In favour:** Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors, T. Alexander, S. Boyd

W. Howlett and H. Shears

Opposed: 0 **Abstaining:** 0

Motion Carried

<u>Motion #87/21:</u> Motion by Deputy Mayor L. Benoit, seconded by Councillor Shears, be it hereby resolved to approve permit to enclose Carport at 105 Kippens Road, being in full compliance.

In favour: Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors, T. Alexander, S. Boyd

W. Howlett and H. Shears

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

<u>Motion #88/21:</u> Motion by Deputy Mayor L. Benoit, seconded by Councillor Alexander, be it hereby resolved to approve permit to build a Fence at 34 Juniper and 10 Edwards Lane, being in full compliance.

In favour: Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors T. Alexander, S. Boyd

W. Howlett and H. Shears

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

<u>Motion #89/21:</u> Motion by Deputy Mayor L. Benoit, seconded by Councillor Alexander, be it hereby resolved to approve permit to build a Gazebo at 4 Millbrook Lane, being in full compliance.

In favour: Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors T. Alexander, S. Boyd

W. Howlett and H. Shears

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

Discussion on whether a permit was required to build a decorative entrance fence at 18 Orchard Loop all of council agreed No permit required.

Additional Business

Committee Reports

Public Works/Planning & Development

Deputy Mayor L. Benoit reported it was nice to see residents investing in their properties by the number of permits to building sheds, shed extensions and Garages.

Deputy Mayor L. Benoit also stated we are down to one maintenance worker and this issue will be addressed soon.

Beautification/ Green Committee

Mayor Brake-Patten stated the Beautification was a work in progress and will update at next meeting.

Recreation

Councillor Shares report that the Recreation Committee was starting to look at Canada day activities and stated that it will be different than other years. July 1st is the opening of the province so the committee is hoping to have things that will fall within the guidelines. The Committee is hoping to have a parade, a senior's dance and maybe the adult dance and Fireworks. There will Not be a barbecue this year.

Fire Department

Councillor Alexander stated that the Fire Department have not been meeting due to the restrictions but are still ready if called upon.

Finance

Councillor Howlett stated it was nice to see that we are spending the money on recreation. The dog part is 99% finished and the backstops for the baseball will be ordered an installed soon. The Baseball group will get the second field ready.

Counselor Howlett wanted to commend the Committees for all the work that goes on behind the scenes, he stated there is a lot of work an effort that goes on that people are not aware of.

Mayor's Report

The Mayor stated she hated to end on a sour note but stated "I would like to acknowledge that Council, Government Representatives and the Media received a letter from Envirogreen following the last public meeting. A condensed version of this letter was distributed to all residents of Kippens over the past two days. I am happy to state that the condensed version distributed publicly was not as threatening or defamatory as the original letter received. I would like to say that I do my due diligence and actively participate in research and factfinding prior to making any statements. At this time, I feel the apology demanded by Envirogreen is not warranted as I do have in my possession several government documents supporting my comments. I would be very happy to share the documents with Envirogreen and the public. It is unfortunate that as we work diligently for the residents of Kippens myself and some other members of council are subject to litigations, scrutiny and condemnation.

I will respectfully continue to work hard for the residents of Kippens to ensure our residents are treated fairly".

Thank you.

Motion #90/21: Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Councillor Alexander, be it hereby resolved to adjourn the Council Meeting.
In favour: Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors T. Alexander, S. Boyd W. Howlett and H. Shears
Opposed: 0
Abstaining: 0
Motion Carried
Council meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m. Next regular council meeting is scheduled for July 8, 2021.

Debbie Brake-Patten, Mayor

Josie Noseworthy, Acting Town Clerk