# Council Meeting, August 12, 2021

Minutes of a meeting of the council of the Town of Kippens, held at the Town Office & on Facebook, August 12, 2021, at 6:33pm

**Members Present** Mayor Debbie Brake-Patten

Deputy Mayor Leon Benoit
Councillors Wayne Howlett
Heather Shears

Heather Shears Shawn Boyd Tim Alexander

Regrets Tim Alexander

**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 #106/21:</u> Motion by Councillor Shears, seconded by Councillor Howlett, 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, Councillor S. Boyd, W. Howlett and

H. Shears.Opposed: 0Abstaining: 0Motion Carried

<u>Motion #107/21:</u> Motion by Councillor Boyd, seconded by Councillor Shears, be it hereby resolved to adopt the July 8, 2021, Council Meeting Minutes.

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

H. Shears.

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 0

Motion Carried

<u>Motion #108/21:</u> Motion by Councillor Boyd, seconded by Deputy Mayor Benoit, be it hereby resolved to adopt the August 3, 2021, Special Council Meeting Minutes.

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

H. Shears.Opposed: 0Abstaining: 0Motion Carried

<u>Motion #109/21:</u> Motion by Deputy Mayor Benoit seconded by Councillor Boyd, be it hereby resolved to adopt the August 12, 2021, Council Meeting Agenda.

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

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

#### **Financial**

<u>Motion#110/21:</u> Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Councillor Boyd, be it hereby resolved to approve the accounts payable totaling \$104,706.57

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

H. Shears
Opposed: 0
Abstaining: 0
Motion Carried

Councillor Boyd declared himself in conflict and left the chambers.

<u>Motion#111/21:</u> Motion by Councillor Howlett, seconded by Deputy Mayor Benoit, be it hereby resolved to approve the accounts payable totaling \$9,200.00.

In favour: Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit, and Councillor W. Howlett and

H. Shears
Opposed: 0
Abstaining: 0
Motion Carried

Councillor Boyd returned to the chambers.

#### **New Business**

Mayor Brake-Patten read & signed the FASDNL proclamation

Mayor Brake-Patten stated the election nominations will be held on September 7,2021 and election day will be September 28, 2021.

Mayor Brake-Patten thanked the Green Committee for their hard work and stated they did a phenomenal job.

Councillor Boyd stated the OH&S orders are now past due. The dates are August 6th and August the 13<sup>th.</sup>

Deputy Mayor Benoit stated that he had met with an employee to discuss their return to work in a safe workplace environment. He also stated the harassment policy was not being followed, making it uncomfortable for staff. He stated that some council members are not following the rules of procedure and should allow staff to address concerns before bringing it to council. Deputy Mayor Benoit stated it was going to take everyone working together to make this a safe workplace environment.

### The Mayor declared herself in conflict and left the chambers.

Counselor Boyd made a motion to approve OH&S outstanding orders to be resolved, after some discussion the motion was retracted.

# The Mayor returned to the chambers.

Some discussion on what should be advertised on the Town Sign. The Mayor had sone discussion on Town Plan and how the meetings

Motion #112/21: Motion by Councillor Howlett and Seconded by Deputy Mayor Benoit, be it hereby resolved that the Kippens Town Council will continues to conduct the internal review of the draft Municipal Plan 2020/2030 and Development Regulations 2020/2030 in a timely manner, thus allowing the process to move on to the second phase of public consultation (Public Meeting #2). Where a Councillor does not respond to meeting requested for working group sessions, it shall be presumed that said councillor is scheduled to attend. Working group meeting shall be scheduled where a minimum of four councillors are scheduled to attend. Working group meeting shall proceed as scheduled.

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

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

After some discussion Councillors committed to sending an email to Andrew Smith to confirm attendance for meetings.

#### **Permits**

<u>Motion #113/21:</u> Motion by Deputy Mayor L. Benoit, seconded by Councillor Howlett, be it hereby resolved to approve permit to build a shed at 45 Kippens Road and 10 Bayview Heights, being in full compliance.

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

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

Motion#114/21: Motion by Deputy Mayor L. Benoit, seconded by Councillor Boyd, be it hereby resolved to approve permit to build a patio at 44 Island Pond Drive, being in full compliance.

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

W. Howlett and H. Shears

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

<u>Motion #115/21:</u> Motion by Deputy Mayor L. Benoit, seconded by Councillor Howlett be it hereby resolved to approve permit to build a Car Port at 11 Kippens Road, being in full compliance.

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

W. Howlett and H. Shears

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

<u>Motion #116/21:</u> Motion by Deputy Mayor L. Benoit, seconded by Councillor Howlett be it hereby resolved to approve permit to build a Gazebo at 5 Youngsville Drive, being in full compliance. **In favour:** Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors, S. Boyd and

W. Howlett and H. Shears

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

<u>Motion #117/21:</u> Motion by Deputy Mayor L. Benoit, seconded by Councillor Boyd be it hereby resolved to approve permit to build a fence at 1 Oceanview Drive., being in full compliance. **In favour:** Mayor D. Brake-Patten, Deputy Mayor L. Benoit and Councillors, S. Boyd and

W. Howlett and H. Shears

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

# **Committee Reports**

### Public Works/Planning & Development

Councillor Boyd stated that over the summer there was trouble with the 950 Loader transmission, and it will cost \$40,000 to \$50,000 to repair.

After some discussion it was decided to look in to leasing a loader for the winter. A meeting will be called next week with Deputy Mayor Benoit, Councillors Boyd & Howlett as will as the maintenance workers, to discuss some options.

Deputy Mayor Leon Benoit reported on the progress of the Sand and Salt Shed. He spoke to the engineers on site, who stated that the mix of concrete was above the recommended grade and that things were moving ahead of schedule.

Councillor Howlett stated that any construction area has safety concerns and should not be open to the public.

He also stated that the grubbing area is open to the residents.

Deputy Mayor Benoit stated that he was told that there were several complaints that had come in but in talking to Steve Lock and the office, no complaints were received.

Deputy Mayor Benoit stated that the permits that was received last week will be looked at this week.

Deputy Mayor Benoit committed on the HR Committee and that he was not pleased with how things is done behind his back and because of this he was no longer sitting on the HR Committee.

#### **Finance**

Councillor Howlett committed that he was disappointed on how thing have transpired with the HR Committee.

<u>Motion #118/21:</u> 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, S. Boyd and

W. Howlett and H. Shears

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion Carried

Motion Carried	
Council meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m. Next regular	council meeting is scheduled for September 9, 2021
Josie Noseworthy, Acting Town Clerk	Debbie Brake-Patten, Mayor