# The Hepburn Howler

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#### The Howler is Back!

After an extended break, the community newsletter is back. This issue is a special ELECTION EDITION, and features a small amount of news available at the time of publication. Future editions will welcome submissions from all community groups through email notice. Groups or individuals may send notices and news to the office at info@hepburn.ca by a monthly deadline. the office.

Upcoming Deadlines are set as follows:

- October 24 for November Issue
- November 28 for December Issue
- December 19 for January Issue

## **Important Municipal Election Info**

#### When and Where?

Advance Poll will be held from 3-7pm on <u>Wednesday, October 19</u>, at The Centre, Main Street, Hepburn.

Elections will be held from 9am-8pm, on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>October 26</u>, at The Centre, Main Street, Hepburn.

#### Who Can Vote?

Eligible voters must be:

- at least 18 years old on Election Day;
- a Canadian citizen;
- a resident of Saskatchewan for at least 6 consecutive months immediately preceding election day; and
- a resident of the municipality for at least 3 consecutive months immediately preceding the day of the election

#### How to Vote

Eligible voters can vote at the polling station set up in their community. Polling stations are open from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Election Day. Advance polling stations are open from 3.00pm to 7.00 p.m.

Instructions on how to vote are posted at all polling stations. If you need help the Deputy Returning Officer who gives you the ballot will assist you.

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## The Hepburn Howler

## Introducing the Mayor

#### Name: Jeff Peters, Retired

Jeff grew up on a farm near Hepburn. He has lived in town since 1982, and raised his family here. His community involvements include coaching minor ball and minor hockey, chairing Parks and Rec board, various church involvements, and serving as current vice-president of the Museum of Wheat board. His goals and priorities for the next 4 years include marking and celebrating Hepburn's 100th anniversary, and maintaining and improving the town's infrastructure. \*Note: Jeff Peters is elected by acclamation.

## Introducing the Councillor Candidates

MARK YOUR
CALENDAR:
\*OCT 19
ADVANCE POLL
3-7PM

\*OCT 26 ELECTION 9AM-8PM

\*BALLOT FOR
COUNCILLORS:
4 POSITIONS
AVAILABLE

\*BALLOT FOR QUESTION: ARE YOU IN FAVOUR OF INCREASING NUMBER OF COUNCILLORS FROM 4 TO 6? Name: Rhonda Barron, Travel Consultant Rhonda has lived in Hepburn since 2007, and is employed as a Travel Consultant.

She was on Council 4 years ago, during which time the fire department was outfitted with a new firetruck and a potable water system was contracted and installed, to name a few highlights. Having past experience brings her the knowledge that being part of the Town Leadership is a great responsibility, but she believes in the importance of Community, doing the right thing for the residents of Hepburn, and carrying forward the vision of past Councils and leading our community into the future.

## Name: Chris Becker, Emergency Medical Instructor

My family has called Hepburn our home since 2008. Since moving here, we have met many amazing people that we call our neighbors and our friends, yet, there are so many more people we have not had the pleasure of meeting. I currently own and operate our family business named SharaLife First Aid. We train First Aiders, First Responders, and Emergency Medical Responders. I have been an EMT since 2007 and also worked in Social Services and Law Enforcement for over 14 years. I have been an active volunteer and committee member for the Canadian Red Cross since 2006. which has allowed me to travel to various parts of Canada to see how other communities function in good times and also in tough times. I have experienced great satisfaction in training new volunteers as First Responders with our Hepburn Fire Department. I believe Hepburn has only begun to recognize its growth potential, while still retaining its small town essence that many of us moved here for. Safety of our families and homes, community programming, and open communication between the

town and its residents are only some of the important areas I would focus on if elected to Council Oct 26.

Name: Chris Crockett. Systems Manager

My name is Chris Crockett, and I am running for one of the seats on Town Council. My wife and I, along with our 2 kids, have been in Hepburn for the past 14 years. I've had the opportunity to become involved in our community in a few different ways. I've been involved with Hepburn Minor Hockey as a coach for 6 years, have been a first responder and volunteer fire fighter for the last 12 years, and have been coaching volleyball with High School Senior Girls team as well as a club team for the last 3 years. I've also had the privilege of serving on council for the last 4 years. My goals for the next 4 years are to continue working for and with community members to better our town, as well as being accessible to community members.

#### Name: Ken Jeschke, Retired

My name is Ken Jeschke and I have spent most of my life in Hepburn. I was raised here and married Joanne, also from Hepburn, and we have enjoyed living here. Our 3 children grew up here, and now we enjoy spending time with our 4 grandchildren. I have worked in the service industry all my life, thirteen of those in Hepburn. I retired in 2015 and enjoy retirement here in Hepburn. Over the years I have been involved in Parks & Recreation, Hepburn Co-op Board, volunteering in our church, boys club, and other events. I have enjoyed the last four years on town council and I want to continue to promote vibrant and prosperous growth, and a safe, enjoyable living place for all residents. I will promote prudent infrastructure development and an attractive, clean town.

#### Town Office News and Reminders

#### **E-BILLS AND NOTICES**

E-bills and Notices are a convenient way to receive utility notices and information. To **sign up**, provide the Town Office with your email address at <a href="mailto:info@hepburn.ca">info@hepburn.ca</a>

#### **ARENA UPDATES**

The Arena Parking Lot has been graded and prepared for the upcoming season. Please drive responsibly when the ground is soft to avoid creating ruts. Arena booking info and forms will be available soon on the town website.

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

The Town Office, 402 Main Street, is open Monday to Friday, from 900am-500pm, and closed

for lunch from 1200-100pm.

#### **COUNCIL MEETING**

The current Council meets one more time, on Wednesday, October 19, 7pm, at the Town Office. \*Regular meetings are the third Wednesday of the month, unless otherwise posted.

#### **MEETING SPACE**

The former Town Office, 311 Main Street, is available for bookings (the west side room). Contact Lisa at 306-947-2170 to check availability or make a standing appointment. e.g. Parks and Rec is the first Monday of the month.



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Name: Craig Kosowan, Business Owner
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We moved to Hepburn in 1989, and in 1994 we opened K.C. Plumbing & Heating Ltd which I still operate today. During my time in Hepburn, I have raised two children, attended a variety of school events, coached soccer, served on the fire brigade, including the position of Deputy Fire Chief, as well as being Council Representative for the Museum of Wheat. I feel my business background helps me "think outside the box." Working in other small communities, I have gained insight as to how they handle a variety of issues which may be useful here. During my time on council, I have tried to make myself available to the public by attending many community functions. Working along with other council members, I would like the opportunity to help make decisions which are fair and beneficial to everyone in town.

#### Name: Brian Willms, Truck Driver

I have lived in Hepburn almost all of my life. I grew up on a farm south of Hepburn. I have been married for almost 39 years, and have four children, 3 sons and 1 daughter. In 1990, we

sold the family farm, and I began working for the Town in July. I was the sole maintenance man/town foreman for 22.5 years. During that time, I attended town meetings, and involved with the infrastructure. I maintained all equipment for the town, as well as fire trucks and equipment. I was a volunteer firefighter for 20 years. I also maintained and worked at the arena for two years. I have taught Sunday School and club, and gone on youth group trips. I was involved with the community wherever was needed. I have always taken pride in my job and have done all I could to ensure the best interests of the town's people was foremost. If elected, I will serve the town by keeping transparency and ensuring accountability by Council. It is my goal to ensure decisions are made for the good of the town and all who live here, keeping taxes down when possible and not spending money needlessly.

\*Note: There are four councillor positions available.

REMEMBER
TO
VOTE!

## "Meet the Candidates" Evening

#### Monday Oct 17, at 7pm, The Centre

This informative event is for new and current citizens to get to know the candidates, and have citizen voices heard. Hosted by community members Neil Paetkau & Wayne Hildebrand, the event has invited the 6 councillor candidates and 1 mayoral encumbent. The format will offer each candidate time for introductions and their platform and priorities. Citizens will have opportunity to speak from the floor, and submit written questions to the Event Emcee. Evening includes coffee and donuts.

#### Town of Hepburn

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Cory Johnston, Water Plant

Kim Bushman, Office Assistant Substitute

School Fun Nite Rescheduled for October 13!

#### What to Bring to the Polls?

**Photo ID!** This is your BEST option to take to the polls. Acceptable photo identification is ID that is **government-issued**, **valid** and has your **photo**, **name** and **address**. If your identification does not meet these criteria it will not be recognized as an acceptable form of photo identification. Examples include:

- A valid **Saskatchewan Driver's Licence**. (If you still have a two-piece licence, make sure you have both pieces).
- A valid Saskatchewan ID card issued by SGI or any motor licence issuer. (Available for \$10 or free for seniors).
- Any other valid government issued photo ID issued by a Canadian government whether federal, provincial or municipal, or an agency of that government, so long as it includes your name and address.

Check out the Town Website. If you find an error or gap, let us know!

Keep up with what's happening in Hepburn
at www.hepburn.ca

Fire Prevention Week: Oct 9-15, 2016

Thanks to the Hepburn Firefighters and First Responders who serve our community.

#### PARKS AND REC NEWS

Next Family Movie Night is October 28, Zootopia.

Parks and Rec Annual General Meeting is Monday, November 7, at 7pm, Old Town Office, with Donuts! All are welcome! Committee Chairs and Vice-Chairs, please be there to represent your group and pick up TIP forms.



Next Howler Deadline is OCT 24.

#### **BOWLING ALLEY**

Hepburn Centennial Bowl Open House, Saturday, October 15, from 2-4pm. League Bowling open for the season, Monday October 17, & Tuesday, October 18. Please come out and participate with family and friends. Bowling is fun, affordable, and great exercise. For bookings and rentals, call 306-947-2073 (alley) or Barbara 306-281-6450.

#### KIDS CLUB:

Be a part of a cool rainforest adventure – at **Parable Quest** 

Join us for fun evenings of singing, Bible lessons, and crafts. Kids Club at Hepburn Gospel Church. For Ages 4 to Grade 6. Wednesdays, Starting on October 19/2016. From 7pm-8pm. We hope to see you at the rainforest.