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CITY OF OWEN SOUND WELCOMES NEW CITY CLERK

City Manager, Ruth Coursey is pleased to announce the appointment of Kristen M. Van Alphen as City Clerk for the City of Owen Sound. Kristen assumes her new responsibilities on January 2, 2012.

A native of Owen Sound, Ms. Van Alphen has 10 years of solid management experience and is currently employed as an Associate Lawyer at Kirby Robinson Treslan Conlan Professional Corporation.

Ms. Van Alphen completed her Bachelor of Laws and Masters of Public Administration at Dalhousie University in Halifax. While earning her Masters in Public Administration she spent four months as a management intern with the City of Owen Sound. Ms. Van Alphen also holds an Honours Bachelor of Arts, English and Drama Degree from the University of Western Ontario.

"We are delighted to have Kristen joining our team. She brings to the table a combined background of municipal, legal and management experience along with excellent leadership and communication skills which is vital to this challenging and rewarding position," says City Manager Ruth Coursey.

Mayor, Council and staff look forward to Ms. Van Alphen joining the City of Owen Sound.

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