

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE  
TOWN OF FALHER**

**IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 2018**

**IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE**

PRESENT : Mayor Donna Buchinski  
Councillors Gary Braithwaite  
Lindsay Brown  
Bradley Drouin  
Robert J. Lauzé  
Geoffrey Turnquist  
Administration Adele Parker  
Ernest Marchildon  
Jacqueline Hébert

**CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Buchinski called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ACCEPTANCE OF  
AGENDA**

**Res. 18-01**

Moved by Councillor Turnquist that the agenda be approved as presented.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Drouin, Lauzé,  
and Turnquist

CARRIED

**DELEGATION**

Smoky River Fire Chief – Marcel Maure 7:00 p.m.

Went over fire department highlights and statistics for 2017.

Marcel Maure left the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES**

**Res. 18-02**

**Minutes of December 11, 2017 regular meeting**

Moved by Councillor Drouin that the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 11, 2017 be approved as circulated.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Drouin, Lauzé,  
and Turnquist

CARRIED

**BUSINESS  
ARISING**

**Res. 18-03**

**2018 Street Improvement Project**

Moved by Councillor Drouin that the 2018 Street Improvement Project go forward and that the Town replace the Town's portion of all the walkway along Main Street from 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue South to Railway Avenue North and that the Town only replace the owner's portion of the walkway for those owners who agreed to the payment terms.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Drouin, Lauzé,  
and Turnquist

CARRIED

**Strategic Planning Session****Res. 18-04**

Moved by Councillor Brown that the Strategic Planning Session scheduled for February 3, 2018 be rescheduled to April 14, 2018.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Drouin, Lauzé,  
and Turnquist

CARRIED

**FINANCIAL****Bank Reconciliation****Res. 18-05**

Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that a Bank Reconciliation for the period ending November 30, 2017 be approved as circulated.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Drouin, Lauzé,  
and Turnquist

CARRIED

**Res. 18-06**

Moved by Councillor Drouin that a Bank Reconciliation for the period ending December 31, 2017 be approved as circulated.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Drouin, Lauzé,  
and Turnquist

CARRIED

**Bills for Payment****Res. 18-07**

Moved by Councillor Brown that bills paid on December 21, 2017 totalling the sum of \$37,598.25 be accepted as information.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Drouin, Lauzé,  
and Turnquist

CARRIED

**Res. 18-08**

Moved by Councillor Drouin that bills paid on, January 15, 2018 totalling the sum of \$196,501.50 be accepted as information.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Drouin, Lauzé,  
and Turnquist

CARRIED

**Income Statement****Res. 18-09**

Moved by Councillor Brown that the Income Statement for the period ending December 31, 2017 be accepted as information.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Drouin, Lauzé,  
and Turnquist

CARRIED

**Financial Resolution****Res. 18-10**

Moved by Councillor Drouin that for 2017 and subsequent years, provincial fines over \$5,000 collected in a year be transferred to either bylaw enforcement reserve or crime prevention reserve.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Drouin, Lauzé,  
and Turnquist

CARRIED

**2018 Budget****Res. 18-11**

Moved by Councillor Lauze that the updated 2018 Budget be approved.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Drouin, Lauzé,  
and Turnquist

CARRIED



- Res. 18-19**      **ACP Grant**  
 Moved by Councillor Turnquist that the Town of Falher participates in a joint application for funding through the Alberta Community Partnership Grant with the Municipal District of Smoky River, Town of McLennan, Village of Donnelly and Village of Girouxville to develop both the Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework and Intermunicipal Development Plan with the five Municipalities in the Smoky River Regional and that the Village of Girouxville be appointed as the managing partner for this project.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Drouin, Lauzé, and Turnquist
- CARRIED

**CORRESPONDENCE**

- Res. 18-20**      Moved by Councillor Brown that the attached correspondence be accepted as information.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Drouin, Lauzé, and Turnquist
- CARRIED

**CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

- Res. 18-21**      **In Camera**  
 Moved by Councillor Drouin that council go in-camera to discuss Council and legal matters at 8:42 p.m.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Drouin, Lauzé, and Turnquist
- CARRIED

Adele Parker, Ernest Marchildon, and Jacqueline Hebert left at 8:42 p.m.

- Res. 18-22**      **Out of Camera**  
 Moved by Councillor Brown that council returns to an open meeting at 9:12 p.m.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Drouin, Lauzé, and Turnquist
- CARRIED

Adele Parker and Ernest Marchildon returned to the meeting at 9:14 p.m.

Meeting recessed at 9:14 p.m. and reconvened at 9:14 p.m.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS****Committee Reports****Councillor Braithwaite**

- Councillor Training Seminar – November 6, 2017
- Honey Festival Meeting – November 15, 2017
- Council Resolution Review – November 16, 2017
- Smoky River Ag Society – November 23, 2017
- Council Meeting for Resolution Review – November 24, 2017
- Smoky River Ag Society – November 30, 2017
- MMSA Meeting – December 1, 2017
- Smoky River Ag Society – December 21, 2017
- Councillor Training Seminar – January

Councillor Brown

- FCSS – November 29, 2017
- Library Committee – December 9, 2017

Councillor Drouin

- Regional Committee – December 6, 2017

Councillor Turnquist

- Economic Development – November 28, 2017
- Smoky River Chamber/Tourism – December 20, 2017

Mayor Buchinski

- Emergency Management Committee – November 28, 2017
- Smoky River Ag Society AGM – November 30, 2017
- Regional Committee – December 5, 2017
- Heart River Housing – December 14, 2017

**Res. 18-23**

Moved by Councillor Drouin that the Committee Reports be accepted as information.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Drouin, Lauzé, and Turnquist

CARRIED

**Director of Public Works Report**

The Director of Public Works reported on the following matters:

- Snow removal
- Snow removal for Main Street
- Removal of Christmas lights and installing bees this week
- Commission employee injured; Town employee doing waste collection in their absence

**Res. 18-24**

Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that the oral report from the Director of Public Works be accepted as information.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Drouin, Lauzé, and Turnquist

CARRIED

**Director of Community Services Report**

**Res. 18-25**

Moved by Councillor Brown that the Director of Community Services Report be accepted as information.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Drouin, Lauzé, and Turnquist

CARRIED

**Chief Administrative Officer Report and Action List**

**Res. 18-26**

Moved by Councillor Brown that the Chief Administrative Officer's report and action list be accepted as information.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Drouin, Lauzé, and Turnquist

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Buchinski adjourned the meeting at 9:35 p.m.

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Mayor

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Municipal Administrator

