

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

IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD ON MONDAY, January 11, 2021

VIA ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION

PRESENT :	Mayor	Donna Buchinski
PRESENT:	Councillors	Lindsay Brown Bradley Drouin Robert Lauzé Rene Limoges Daniel Morin
	Administration	James Bell Florita Perez
PUBLIC ACCESS VIA TELE-CONFERENCE		
CALL TO ORDER	Mayor Buchinski called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.	
ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA		
Res. 21-01	Moved by Councillor Drouin that the agenda be approved as presented.	
		CARRIED
APPROVAL OF MINUTES		
	<u>Minutes of December 14th, 2020 Regular Meeting</u>	
Res. 21-02	Moved by Councillor Brown that the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 14, 2020 be approved as circulated.	
		CARRIED
DELEGATIONS	<p>a) Dianne Chiasson – Municipal Energy Manager Program 7 :03p.m.-7 :22p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss and give an overview on Municipal Energy Manager Funding Program. 	
BUSINESS ARISING		
	<u>Airport</u>	
Res. 21-03	Moved by Councillor Limoges to accept item as information.	
		CARRIED
	<u>Community Association for Professional Services (CAPS)</u>	
Res. 21-04	Moved by Councillor Limoges to approve the \$12,980.51 contribution to CAPS with funds from the ambulance reserve 1-4-2500-720 and to divide the payment in 6 months monthly installment.	
		CARRIED

Res. 21-05	Moved by Councillor Limoges to direct administration to identify if CAPS is able to track the civic address of those using the clinic in order to demonstrate the importance to Regional Municipalities.	
	<u>CN Rail Crossing</u>	
Res. 21-06	Moved by Councillor Lauze to continue payment for the CN Rail crossing at the North area of Main Street.	CARRIED
	<u>Fire Services Agreement</u>	
Res. 21-07	Moved by Councillor Drouin to authorize payment of \$53,265.20 to the Municipal District of Smoky River for 2021 Fire Services; representing a 1.3% CPI increase to the 2020 rate.	CARRIED
	<u>Municipal Energy Manager Program</u>	
Res. 21-08	Moved by Councillor Morin to participate in principle, conditional on funding commitment required with another municipality hosting.	CARRIED
	Meeting recessed at 8:06 p.m. and reconvened at 8:10p.m.	
	<u>COVID 19 Update</u>	
	a) January 7 Update	
Res. 21-09	Moved by Councillor Drouin to accept item as information.	CARRIED
	b) Office COVID 19 Update	
Res. 21-10	Moved by Councillor Morin to accept item as information.	CARRIED
	<u>Smoky River Physician Recruitment and Retention</u>	
	a) 2021 Budget	
Res. 21-11	Moved by Councillor Morin to approve the 2021 Smoky River Regional Physician Recruitment and Retention budget.	CARRIED
	b) Dishwasher	
Res. 21-12	Moved by Councillor Drouin to decline Dr. Cloete's request to purchase his dishwasher he installed in the Regional Physician House.	CARRIED
	<u>Snow Removal</u>	
Res. 21-13	Moved by Councillor Lauze to accept Director of Public Works recommendation as presented.	CARRIED
FINANCIAL		
	<u>Bank Reconciliation – General Account</u>	
Res. 21-14	Moved by Councillor Limoges that the Bank Reconciliation for the period ending December 31, 2020 be approved as circulated.	CARRIED
	<u>Income Statement</u>	
Res. 21-15	Moved by Councillor Drouin that the Income Statement for the period ending December 31, 2020 be accepted as information.	CARRIED

	<u>2021 Budget</u>
Res. 21-16	Moved by Councillor Lauze to set the budget meeting on February 23 rd , 2021 at 6:30 p.m. CARRIED
	BYLAWS & POLICIES
	<u>Bylaw 21-01 – Repeal of Bylaws</u>
Res. 21-17	Moved by Councillor Drouin to have first reading of Bylaw 21-01. CARRIED
	Community Services
	<u>Sponsorship Program 2021</u>
Res. 21-18	Moved by Councillor Brown to approve the Sponsorship Program 2021 as presented with the addition of the Friendship Hill Park. CARRIED
	<u>NAR Sign</u>
Res. 21-19	Moved by Councillor Brown to accept item as information. CARRIED
	James Bell left the meeting at 8:41p.m. and returned at 8:42 p.m.
	<u>Falher Regional Recreation Center (FRC)</u>
Res. 21-20	Moved by Councillor Drouin to accept item as information. CARRIED
	<u>Falher Regional Recreation Center (FRC) – Curling Club Request</u>
Res. 21-21	Moved by Councillor Limoges to excuse the Falher Curling Club from the remainder of their agreements (Bar and Ice Surface), as per their written request stating, due to the COVID19 pandemic and subsequent government restrictions. CARRIED
	<u>CKRP 95.7 NORD-QUEST FM</u>
Res. 21-22	Moved by Councillor Morin to sponsor Societe CKRP Radio Riviere -la-Paix the amount of \$150.00 for one- hour radio programs featuring the history of the area from 1700 to 1920. CARRIED
	NEW BUSINESS
	<u>Peace Regional Victim Services</u>
Res. 21-23	Moved by Councillor Drouin to decline the request for funding for the Peace Regional Victim Services for 2021. CARRIED
	<u>Peace Library System</u>
Res. 21-24	Moved by Councillor Brown to accept item as information. CARRIED
	<u>Red Tape Reduction</u>
Res. 21-25	Moved by Councillor Drouin to accept item as information. CARRIED
	James Bell Left the meeting at 9:18 p.m. and returned at 9:19 p.m.
	CORRESPONDENCE
Res. 21-26	Moved by Councillor Morin that the attached correspondence be accepted as information. CARRIED

	<u>Letter from Honourable Minister Shandro</u>
Res. 21-27	Moved by Councillor Brown to accept item as information. CARRIED
	<u>Tax Letter</u>
Res. 21-28	Moved by Councillor Lauze to accept item as information. CARRIED
COMMITTEE REPORTS	
	<p><u>Mayor Buchinski</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Smoky River Waste Commission – November 24, 2020 • SR Transportation – November 26, 2020 • NAEL – November 27, 2020 • Smoky River Waste Commission – November 30, 2020 • SR Emergency Services – December 1, 2020 • Sr Mayors/Reeve – December 2, 2020 • SR Urban Meeting – December 8, 2020 • Premier/Town Hall – December 15, 2020 • Heart River Housing – December 17, 2020 • Mayor/CAO – December 22, 2020 <p><u>Councillor Brown</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FCSS Board – December 1, 2020 <p><u>Councillor Drouin</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Report <p><u>Councillor Lauzé</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Report <p><u>Councillor Limoges</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Smoky River Waste Commission – November 30, 2020 <p><u>Councillor Morin</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SRR Fire Hall – December 8, 2020
Res. 21-29	Moved by Councillor Morin that the Committee Reports be accepted as information. CARRIED
	<u>Director of Public Works Report</u>
Res. 21-30	Moved by Councillor Limoges that the Director of Public Works report and action list be accepted as information. CARRIED
	<u>Director of Community Services Report</u>
Res. 21-31	Moved by Councillor Drouin that the Director of Community Services report and action list be accepted as information. CARRIED
	<u>Chief Administrative Officer Report and Action List</u>
Res. 21-32	Moved by Councillor Lauze that the Chief Administrative Officer's report and action list be accepted as information. CARRIED
	<u>213A Bridge</u>
Res. 21-33	Moved by Councillor Limoges to send a letter to MLA Todd Loewen regarding the bridge on 213A North of Main Street.
CONFIDENTIAL	
	<u>In Closed Session</u>
Res. 21-34	Moved by Councillor Morin that the council go into a closed session at 9:33 p.m. to discuss Personnel as per Section 17 of FOIP. CARRIED

	Florita Perez left the meeting at 9:33 p.m.
	Councillor Limoges recused himself due to pecuniary interest as his spouse is employee of the Town of Falher and would be financially affected; Councillor Limoges left the meeting at 9:33 p.m.
	Public Access Via Tele-Conference Muted
	Councillor Limoges returned to the meeting at 9:37 p.m.
	James Bell left the meeting at 9:38 p.m. and returned at 9:41 p.m.
	<u>Out of Closed Session</u>
Res. 21-35	Moved by Councillor Drouin that the council return to an open meeting at 9:42 p.m. <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
	Meeting recessed at 9:43 p.m. and reconvened at 9:44 p.m.
	Public Access Via Tele-Conference unmuted at 9:44 p.m.
	<u>Next Meeting</u>
	Regular Meeting – February 8, 2021
ADJOURNMENT:	Mayor Buchinski adjourned the meeting at 9:45 p.m.
	<hr/> Mayor
	<hr/> Municipal Administrator