

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE

TOWN OF FALHER

IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD ON MONDAY, May 10, 2021

VIA ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION

PRESENT :	Mayor	Donna Buchinski
	Councillors	Lindsay Brown Brad Drouin Robert Lauzé Rene Limoges Daniel Morin
PRESENT:	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	The Agenda was amended as follows: DELETE: Item 3d) Smoky River Economic Development Update 2 – Closed Session ADD: 10b) Smoky River Tourism	
Res. 21-157	Moved by Councillor Limoges that the agenda be approved as presented. <p align="right">CARRIED</p>	
DELEGATIONS	<p>a) MP Arnold Viersen – 7:01 p.m. – 7:18 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide information on Government Budget, Pipeline and Firearms. • Provide an update on Medical Rights Bill, Equalization and Fairness Bill, and Abortion Resolutions. <p>b) Smoky River Economic Development Update 1 – Diane Chiasson – 7:18 p.m.- 7:38 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide update on various projects. <p>c) Municipal Energy Manager – Emily Plihal – 7:38 p.m. – 7:54 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide information on various granting opportunities including solar retrofitting for municipal buildings. • Provide an update on EV charger. <p align="center">Councillor Drouin join the meeting at 7:49 p.m.</p>	
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	<u>Minutes of April 12th, 2021 Regular Meeting</u>	
Res. 21-158	Moved by Councillor Brown that the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 12th, 2021 be approved as circulated. <p align="right">CARRIED</p>	

BUSINESS ARISING	
	<u>Airport</u>
Res. 21-159	Moved by Councillor Drouin to accept the 2021 Airport Budget as presented. CARRIED
Res. 21-160	Moved by Councillor Morin to accept Airport notes and other documents as information. CARRIED
Res. 21-161	Moved by Councillor Drouin to table the Airport agreement. CARRIED
Res. 21-162	Moved by Councillor Lauze that FCM MAMP grant allocation remain as is; and to await further clarification on the current allocation of funds remaining in the regional Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) grant. CARRIED
	<u>Chamber of Commerce</u>
Res. 21-163	Moved by Councillor Brown to accept item as information. CARRIED
	<u>FCSS Garden</u>
Res. 21-164	Moved by Councillor Drouin to deny the FCSS' request of garden beds at the municipal office and recommend that they pursue their next option. CARRIED
	<u>Municipal Energy Manager</u>
Res. 21-165	Moved by Councillor Morin to move forward with completing a solar power master plan (to a maximum cost of \$2,000) in order to apply for various grant programs. CARRIED
	<u>Open House</u>
Res. 21-166	Moved by Councillor Limoges to move the open house date from June 23, 2021 to September 2021. CARRIED
	<u>Smoky River Economic Development & Iwantwireless</u>
Res. 21-167	Moved by Councillor Brown to deny the request of Iwantwireless to write a letter of support. CARRIED
	Meeting recessed at 9:01 p.m. and reconvened at 9:07 p.m.
	<u>Welcome to Falher</u>
Res. 21-168	Moved by Councillor Limoges that this item be tabled. CARRIED
FINANCIAL	
	<u>Bank Reconciliation – General Account</u>
Res. 21-169	Moved by Councillor Drouin that the Bank Reconciliation for the period ending April 30, 2021 be approved as circulated. CARRIED
	<u>Income Statement</u>
Res. 21-170	Moved by Councillor Limoges that the Income Statement for the period ending April 30, 2021 be accepted as information. CARRIED

	<u>Tax Roll Reductions</u>
Res. 21-171	Moved by Councillor Drouin to cancel a portion of the \$600.00 minimum tax levy on all designated farm land to no less than \$100.00 or equivalent to the actual rate of municipal tax on all the following Tax Rolls (legal land descriptions): ROLL Legal Land Description 090000065 NE1/4, 4-78-21-W5 090000083 Lot 1, Blk 6, PI 832 2628 090000092 Lot 2, Blk 6, PI 832 2628 090000109 Lot 3, Blk 6, PI 832 2628 CARRIED
	<u>Rescinding of Motion – Resolution No. 21-83</u>
Res. 21-172	Moved by Councillor Morin to rescind Resolution No. 21-83. CARRIED
	BYLAWS & POLICIES
	<u>4 Day Work Week - Exploration</u>
Res. 21-173	Moved by Councillor Drouin that administration further explore a 4 day work week pilot project. CARRIED
	<u>Bylaw 21-03 Rate of Taxation</u>
Res. 21-174	Moved by Councillor Limoges to accept Bylaw 21-03 Rate of Taxation as presented. CARRIED
Res. 21-175	Moved by Councillor Drouin to have first reading of Bylaw 21-03. CARRIED
Res. 21-176	Moved by Councillor Morin that Bylaw 21-03 be given a second reading. CARRIED
Res. 21-177	Moved by Councillor Limoges that Bylaw 21-03 be presented for a third reading. CARRIED
Res. 21-178	Moved by Councillor Morin that Bylaw 21-03 be given a third and final reading. CARRIED
	<u>Policy 101- 5 Voluntary Separation from Employment</u>
Res. 21-179	Moved by Councillor Drouin to approve Policy 101-5 Voluntary Separation from Employment as presented. CARRIED
	<u>Policy 605 Fees</u>
Res. 21-180	Moved by Councillor Limoges to approve the changes to the Fees Policy as presented. CARRIED
Res. 21-181	Moved by Councillor Morin that the Town of Falher reserves the right to charge fees in line with Policy 605- Fees to any and all Regional Commissions for work done on an ad hoc basis. CARRIED
	<u>Policy 620 Development Permit Application Processing</u>
Res. 21-182	Moved by Councillor Limoges that this item be tabled. CARRIED

Community Services	
	<u>Campground Attendant</u>
Res. 21-183	Moved by Councillor Drouin to ratify Campground Attendant and the Mobile Home Campground Lease Agreement. CARRIED
	<u>Falher Regional Pool</u>
Res. 21-184	Moved by Councillor Drouin to accept temporary private rental rate as presented. CARRIED
NEW BUSINESS	
	<u>2021 Federal Census</u>
Res. 21-185	Moved by Councillor Morin to support the 2021 Census, and encourages all residents to complete their census questionnaire online at www.census.gc.ca . Accurate and complete census data supports programs and services that benefit our community. CARRIED
	<u>2021 Municipal Elections – Advanced Polling</u>
Res. 21-186	Moved by Councillor Drouin that this item be tabled. CARRIED
	<u>Appointment of Inspectors and Appeal Committee Members</u>
Res. 21-187	Moved by Councillor Limoges to appoint Normand Boulet, David Skinner, Svitlana Ksendzuk, Raymond Rey and Mitchell Visser as Inspectors under Section 7 of the Weed Control Act & Section 10 of the Agricultural Pests Act for 2021. CARRIED
Res. 21-188	Moved by Councillor Drouin to appoint Denis Boucher, Marcel Limoges, Andre Lussier, Darcy Tokarz & Lucien Houle as our Appeal Committee under Section 19(1) of the Weed Control Act, and under Section 14(5) of the Agricultural Pest Act. CARRIED
	<u>Busy Bee Day Care Request</u>
Res. 21-189	Moved by Councillor Drouin to approve the Busy Bee Day Care request for use of vacant land pending an approved agreement from council between the Town of Falher and the Smoky River Childcare Society CARRIED
	<u>Extend Meeting</u>
Res. 21-190	Moved by Councillor Morin at 9:58 p.m. to extend the meeting. CARRIED
	<u>Development Permit Application 21-12</u>
Res. 21-191	Moved by Councillor Lauze recommending that the development officer approve Development Permit Application 21-12 within the variances enabled in the Land Use Bylaw and not approve a non-compliant structure. CARRIED
	<u>Georges P. Vanier Grad Parade</u>
Res. 21-192	Moved by Councillor Drouin to approve the 2021 Grad parade. CARRIED
	<u>ICF Meetings</u>
Res. 21-193	Moved by Councillor Drouin that prior to beginning agreement reviews, the Town of Falher council will pass resolution identifying the two (2) members sent to said agreement review meetings. CARRIED

	<u>MP Arnold Viersen</u>
Res. 21-194	Moved by Councillor Lauze that this item be tabled. CARRIED
	<u>RCMP Letters</u>
	a) Letter of Support
Res. 21-195	Moved by Councillor Limoges to write a letter of support for having the RCMP remain as the province's police service rather than have the option of a Provincial Police service. CARRIED
	b) Public Health Order Compliance
Res. 21-196	Moved by Councillor Drouin to accept item as information. CARRIED
	<u>Removal of Sidewalk</u>
Res. 21-197	Moved by Councillor Brown to approve the removal of sidewalks on 4 th Avenue SW on the East side of First St. West as per recommendation of Director of Public Works. CARRIED
	<u>SRRED Grant Support</u>
Res. 21-198	Moved by Councillor Limoges to write a letter of support for Smoky River Economic Development Grant application for Hemp Decortication project. CARRIED
	CORRESPONDENCE
Res. 21-199	Moved by Councillor Drouin that the attached correspondence be accepted as information. CARRIED
	<u>Smoky River Tourism</u>
Res. 21-200	Moved by Councillor Limoges to deny Smoky River Tourism's requested funds for 2021. CARRIED
	COMMITTEE REPORTS
	<p><u>Mayor Buchinski</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SR Emergency Management – March 23, 2021 • ICF/Urban Meeting – March 25, 2021 • ICF Fire Agreement – March 29, 2021 • Town Hall/Ministers – April 6, 2021 • 2021 Spring Municipal Leaders Caucus – April 14,15,16, 2021 • SR Regional – March 9, 2021 • Heart River Housing – April 15, 2021 • Water/Waste Commission- April 19, 2021 <p><u>Councillor Brown</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FCSS Board – March 31, 2021 <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"> • Economic Development – March 30, 2021 <p><u>Councillor Limoges</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SR Waste Committee – April 19, 2021 • SR Water Commission – April 19, 2021 • Airport Commission – April 20, 2021 <p><u>Councillor Morin</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Honey Fest AGM – April 15, 2021
Res. 21-201	Moved by Councillor Drouin that the Committee Reports be accepted as information. CARRIED

	<u>Director of Public Works Report</u>
Res. 21-202	Moved by Councillor Morin that the Director of Public Works report and action list be accepted as information. <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
	<u>Director of Community Services Report</u>
Res. 21-203	Moved by Councillor Brown that the Director of Community Services report and action list be accepted as information. <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
	<u>Chief Administrative Officer Report and Action List</u>
Res. 21-204	Moved by Councillor Brown that the Chief Administrative Officer's report and action list be accepted as information. <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
CONFIDENTIAL	
	<u>In Closed Session</u>
Res. 21-205	Moved by Councillor Brown at 10:23 p.m. that the council go into a closed session discussion as per: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY ACT; Section 25 c- iii <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
	Public Access Via Tele-Conference Muted at 10:23 p.m.
	Florita Perez left the meeting at 10:25 p.m.
	<u>Out of Closed Session</u>
Res. 21-206	Moved by Councillor Limoges that the council return to an open meeting at 10:43 p.m. <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
	Meeting recessed at 10:43 p.m. and reconvened at 10:44 p.m.
	Public Access Via Tele-Conference unmuted at 10:44 p.m.
	<u>Fire Services Agreement</u>
Res. 21-207	Moved by Councillor Drouin to table the Fire Services Agreement pending further review. <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
	<u>June Council Meeting</u>
Res. 21-208	Moved by Councillor Lauze to move the June council meeting to June 9, 2021. <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
	<u>Next Meeting</u>
	Regular Meeting – June 9, 2021
ADJOURNMENT:	Mayor Buchinski adjourned the meeting at 10:59 p.m.
	<hr style="width: 30%; margin: auto;"/> <p style="text-align: center;">Mayor</p>
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