

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

IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD ON MONDAY, August 09, 2021

IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE

PRESENT : Mayor Donna Buchinski
Councillors Lindsay Brown
Robert Lauzé
Daniel Morin

PRESENT: Administration James Bell
Florita Perez

**PUBLIC ACCESS VIA
TELE-CONFERENCE**

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Buchinski called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

**ACCEPTANCE OF
AGENDA**

The Agenda was amended as follows:
ADD: 10c) Alberta Health Services – Bed Closure

Res. 21-280 Moved by Councillor Brown that the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

a) Smoky River Chamber of Commerce – 7:02 p.m. – 7:14 p.m.

- Provide status update of Smoky River Chamber of Commerce.

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

Minutes of July 12th, 2021 Regular Meeting

Res. 21-281 Moved by Councillor Brown that the minutes of the regular meeting held on July 12th, 2021 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING

2nd Street South

Res. 21-282 Moved by Councillor Lauzé to write a letter to MD of Smoky River to inquire if they would be interested to partner with Town of Falher in regards to ACP grant application for a study of 2nd Street South.

CARRIED

In Closed Session

Res. 21-283 Moved by Councillor Morin at 7:25 p.m. that the council go into a closed session discussion as per: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY ACT; Section 27(1)(b) (iii).

CARRIED

Public Access Via Tele-Conference muted at 7:25 p.m.

Out of Closed Session

Res. 21-284 Moved by Councillor Morin that the council return to an open meeting at 7:37 p.m.
CARRIED

Public Access Via Tele-Conference unmuted at 7: 37p.m.

Res. 21-285 **Airport**
Moved by Councillor Brown to accept item as information.
CARRIED

Res. 21-286 **Meeting with Hon. Minister McIver - AUMA**
Moved by Councillor Lauzé to submit a request to meet up with Honourable Ric McIver, Minister of Municipal Affairs at the 2021 AUMA Fall Convention to be held on November 17-19, 2021 to discuss:

- Alberta Community Partnership grant
- New RCMP funding model
- Change to Provincial Statistic Calculations

CARRIED

Res. 21-287 **Open House**
Moved by Councillor Morin that this item be tabled.
CARRIED

Res. 21-288 **Planning Report**
Moved by Councillor Brown that this item be tabled.
CARRIED

Res. 21-289 **Smoky River Chamber of Commerce**
Moved by Councillor Brown to accept item as information.
CARRIED

Res. 21-290 **Stop Sign Request**
Moved by Councillor Morin to accept item as information.
CARRIED

FINANCIAL

Res. 21-291 **Bank Reconciliation – General Account**
Moved by Councillor Lauzé that the Bank Reconciliation for the period ending July 31, 2021 be approved as circulated.
CARRIED

Res. 21-292 **Income Statement**
Moved by Councillor Brown that the Income Statement for the period ending July 31, 2021 be accepted as information.
CARRIED

BYLAWS & POLICIES

Res. 21-293 **Policy 111- Proposed 4 Day Work Week Pilot Project**
Moved by Councillor Morin to approve Policy No. 111- 4 Day Work Week Pilot Project as presented.
CARRIED

Res. 21-294 **Policy 203 – Vacation Leave Policy**
Moved by Councillor Lauzé that this item be tabled.
CARRIED

Res. 21-295 **Policy 501- Remuneration**
Moved by Councillor Brown that this item be tabled.
CARRIED

Meeting recessed at 8:19 p.m. and reconvened at 8:22 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Elections 2021

Res. 21-296

Moved by Councillor Morin that the daily rate for Polling Staff be set at \$240.00 plus \$24.00 per hour for the counter. If training is required, hourly rate will be set at \$24.00 per hour for training purposes.

CARRIED

RCMP Community Policing Report Q1

Res. 21-297

Moved by Councillor Lauzé to accept item as information.

CARRIED

In Closed Session

Res. 21-298

Moved by Councillor Brown at 8:29 p.m. that the council go into a closed session discussion as per: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY ACT; Section 25(1)(c) (i) & (ii).

CARRIED

Public Access Via Tele-Conference Muted at 8:29 p.m.

Out of Closed Session

Res. 21-299

Moved by Councillor Morin that the council return to an open meeting at 8:37 p.m.

CARRIED

Public Access Via Tele-Conference unmuted at 8: 37 p.m.

Recycling Services

Res. 21-300

Moved by Councillor Brown to accept item as information.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

CC From Other Municipalities

Res. 21-301

Moved by Councillor Brown to accept item as information.

CARRIED

General Council Correspondence

Res. 21-302

Moved by Councillor Brown that the attached correspondence list be accepted as information.

CARRIED

Alberta Health Services - Bed Closure

Res. 21-303

Moved by Councillor Morin to write a letter to Minister of Health, Tyler Shandro, concerning the AHS bed closure and cc to the following individuals:

Hon. Jason Kenney – MLA, Premier of Alberta

Hon. Ric McIver –MLA, Minister of Municipal Affairs

Todd Loewen – MLA Central Peace-Notley

Cindy Harmata – Senior Operating Officer, Areas 5-8, AHS North Zone

Barbara Mader – Site Manager, Sacred Heart Health Centre

Alain Dion, Mayor, Village of Girouxville

Myrna Lanctot- Mayor, Village of Donnelly

Michele Fournier – Mayor, Town of McLennan

Robert Brochu – Reeve, Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Buchinski

- McLennan NAR Building – July 1, 2021

Councillor Brown

- No Report

Councillor Lauzé

- No Report

Councillor Limoges

- No Report

Councillor Morin

- No Report

Res. 21-304

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

CARRIED

Res. 21-305

Director of Public Works Report

Moved by Councillor Brown that the Director of Public Works report and action list be accepted as information.

CARRIED

Res. 21-306

Director of Community Services Report

Moved by Councillor Lauzé that the Director of Community Services report and action list be accepted as information.

CARRIED

Res. 21-307

Chief Administrative Officer Report and Action List

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

CARRIED

Next Meeting

Regular Meeting – September 13, 2021

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Buchinski adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

Mayor

Municipal Administrator