

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

IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, January 12, 2022

IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE

PRESENT VIA TELE- CONFERENCE PRESENT:	Mayor Councillor Councillors	Donna Buchinski Daniel Morin Lindsay Brown Robert Lauzé Gaetane Pizycki
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Administration	James Bell Florita Perez
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**PUBLIC ACCESS VIA
TELE-CONFERENCE**

CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Lauzé called the meeting to order at 7:03p.m.

**ACCEPTANCE OF
AGENDA**

Res. 22-01

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

CARRIED

Res. 22-02

Moved by Councillor Brown to postpone the Council Meeting and commence the Public Hearing.

CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Bylaw 21-07 Repeal of Unused Bylaws

- No objections or concerns were filed with the Municipal Administrator with regards to Bylaw 21-07.

Res.22-03

Moved by Councillor Pizycki to close the Public Hearing and reconvene the Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

Res. 22-04

Minutes of December 8th, 2021 Regular Meeting

Moved by Mayor Buchinski that the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 8th,2021 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

Business Arising

Res. 22-05

Councillor Training

Moved by Councillor Morin to accept item as information.

CARRIED

Res. 22-06

Villa Beausejour

Moved by Councillor Morin that this item be tabled until the next Council Meeting in February 2022.

CARRIED

FINANCIAL**Bank Reconciliation – General Account****Res. 22-07**

Moved by Mayor Buchinski that the Bank Reconciliation for the period ending December 31, 2021 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

Income Statement**Res. 22-08**

Moved by Councillor Morin that the Income Statement for the period ending December 31, 2021 be accepted as information.

CARRIED

Contracted Services**Res. 22-09**

Moved by Mayor Buchinski to proceed with a contract agreement for Ernie Marchildon on an as needed basis effective January 2022.

CARRIED

Mighty Peace Tourism**Res. 22-10**

Moved by Councillor Brown that this item be tabled until Budget Meeting in February 2022.

CARRIED

Councillor Brown recused herself from discussion due to pecuniary interest and any resulting motions on the matter as it involves a possible financial benefit for her spouse, an employee of the Town of Falher. Councillor Brown left the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

Salary Grid**Res. 22-11**

Moved by Mayor Buchinski that this item be tabled until Budget Meeting in February 2022.

CARRIED

Councillor Brown returned to the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

BYLAWS & POLICIES**Bylaw 21-07 Repeal of Unused Bylaws****Res. 22-12**

Moved by Councillor Brown that Bylaw 21-07 be given a second reading.

CARRIED

Res. 22-13

Moved by Councillor Morin that Bylaw 21-07 be given a third and final reading.

CARRIED

Council Consultation – Tax Due Dates & Penalties; Municipal Legislation**Res. 22-14**

Moved by Councillor Morin to direct administration to research Bylaw Amendment options.

CARRIED

Proposed Policy 802- Costs of COVID Testing**Res. 22-15**

Moved by Councillor Buchinski that this item be tabled until the next Council Meeting in February 2022.

CARRIED

Community Services**Columbarium Pricing****Res. 22-16**

Moved by Mayor Buchinski to approve the price increase presented, representing a rate of \$690 per Niche Plaque and \$395 per Memory Wall plaque.

CARRIED

FABULAS**Res. 22-17**

Moved by Councillor Brown to approve FABULAS' request to place a second gazebo at the Honey Capital Park on the existing concrete pad given the 2nd gazebo is of similar quality, size, material, and esthetic of the previous/current gazebo, pending final approval issued by the Chief Administrative Officer.

CARRIED

FCSS Agreement**Res. 22-18**

Moved by Councillor Buchinski to approve FCSS 2022 Lease Agreement as amended.

CARRIED

Montreal Canadiens Alumni Hockey Game**Res. 22-19**

Moved by Councillor Morin to ratify the decision to postpone the Montreal Canadiens Alumni Game originally scheduled for February 3rd, 2022 to a later date.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS**Falher Regional Intermunicipal Library Board - Appointment****Res. 22-20**

Moved by Councillor Brown to appoint Mai Nonthanee Noosri Bérubé as a Director for the Falher Intermunicipal Library Board for the remainder of her term previously set by the Village of Donnelly, expiring in September 2023.

CARRIED

Res. 22-21

Moved by Councillor Pizycki to appoint Alain Blanchette as a Director for the Falher Intermunicipal Library Board in recognition of their regional use and support for this library until the Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130's 2022 Organizational Meeting.

CARRIED

McLennan ED Physician Availability**Res. 22-22**

Moved by Mayor Buchinski to write a letter to Minister of Health, Jason Copping, concerning the AHS McLennan Emergency Department Physician Availability 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 Lanctôt- Mayor, Village of Donnelly
 Jason Doris – Mayor, Town of McLennan
 Robert Brochu – Reeve, Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130

CARRIED

Self Service Recycling Bins**Res. 22-23**

Moved by Councillor Brown to direct administration to initiate public consultation with regards to self-service recycling bins.

CARRIED

Société du Centre Communautaire Rivière la Paix – Business Plan**Res. 22-24**

Moved by Councillor Pizycki to accept item as presented.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE**General Correspondence****Res. 22-25**

Moved by Mayor Buchinski that the attached correspondence list be accepted as information.

CARRIED

M.D. of Smoky River No. 130 Correspondence**Res. 22-26**

Moved by Councillor Brown to accept M.D. of Smoky River No. 130 correspondence list as presented.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTSMayor Buchinski

- Water/Waste Commission – November 29, 2021
- SR Emergency – November 30, 2021
- ICF/Airport – December 1, 2021
- Heart River Housing – December 2, 2021
- ASCHA Regional North – December 3, 2021
- SR Regional Committee – December 7, 2021
- MD Council Presentation – December 7 & 8, 2021
- Water/Waste Commission – December 15, 2021
- ABMA – December 16, 2021
- Heart River Housing – December 16, 2021

Councillor Brown

- Peace Library System – November 27, 2021
- Smoky River Emergency Management – November 30, 2021

Councillor Lauzé

- Water Commission – November 29, 2021
- Waste Commission – November 29, 2021
- Airport – December 1, 2021
- Water Commission - December 15, 2021
- Waste Commission – December 15, 2021

Councillor Morin

- No Report

Councillor Pizycki

- No Report

Res. 22-27

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

CARRIED

Res. 22-28**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. 22-29**Director of Community Services Report**

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

CARRIED

Res. 22-30**Chief Administrative Officer Report and Action List**

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

CARRIED

Res. 22-31**2022 Budget Meeting**

Moved by Mayor Buchinski to hold a Budget meeting on February 8th, 2022.

CARRIED

Next Meeting

Budget Meeting – February 8, 2022

Regular Meeting – February 9, 2022

ADJOURNMENT:

Deputy Mayor Lauzé adjourned the meeting at 8:33 p.m.

Mayor

Municipal Administrator