

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

IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, July 13, 2022

IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE

PRESENT: Mayor Donna Buchinski
Councillors Lindsay Brown
Robert Lauzé
Gaetane Pizycki
Administration James Bell

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

**ACCEPTANCE OF
AGENDA**

Res. 22-220 Moved by Councillor Brown that the agenda be approved as presented. CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

Res. 22-255 Minutes of June 8th, 2022, Regular Meeting
Moved by Councillor Brown that the minutes of the regular meeting held on June 8th, 2022, be approved as circulated. CARRIED

Business Arising

Res. 22-221 Smoky River Regional Airport Board - Agreement
Moved by Councillor Lauzé to adopt Smoky Regional Airport Board Agreement as presented. CARRIED

FINANCIAL

Res. 22-222 Bank Reconciliation – General Account
Moved by Councillor Lauzé that the Bank Reconciliation for the period ending June 30, 2022, be approved as circulated. CARRIED

Res. 22-223 Income Statement
Moved by Councillor Pizycki that the Income Statement for the period ending June 30, 2022, be accepted as information. CARRIED

Res. 22-224 Public Auction – Property Tax Arrears
Councillor Brown motions that under provisions of the Municipal Government Act, the Town of Falher will offer for sale, by public auction, in the Town Administration Building, Falher, Alberta on Thursday, September 29, 2022, at 2:00 p.m. the following lands and that the minimum bids be established as follows:

Lot 7, Block 2, Plan 5556CC
Certificate of Title: 0016784514
\$10,760.00:

1. The parcel will be offered for sale subject to a reserve bid, and to the reservations and conditions contained in the existing certificate of title.

2. The parcel will be sold on a cash or certified cheque only.
3. Parcel will be sold "as is" and the buyer will be responsible for any remedial action that may be required under the Environmental Protection Act or any Statute of the Province of Alberta.
4. Any buildings, mobile homes or structures remaining on the parcel on the date of sale will form part of the sale.
5. The Town of Falher may, after the public auction, become the owner of any parcel of land not sold at the public auction.
6. Redemption may be affected by payment of all arrears of taxes and costs at any time prior to the sale.

CARRIED

Airport Financials**Res. 22-225**

Moved by Councillor Pizycki to accept item as information.

CARRIED

BYLAWS & POLICIES**Bylaw No. 22-02 Proposed Smoky River Regional Airport Board Bylaw****Res. 22-226**

Moved by Councillor Lauzé to have first reading of Bylaw No. 22-02 Smoky River Regional Airport Board Bylaw.

CARRIED

Policy 111- 4 Day Work Week Policy**Res. 22-227**

Moved by Councillor Lauzé to adopt Policy 111-4 Day Work Week Policy as presented.

CARRIED

Proposed Policy 004-6 Reporting of Crime**Res. 22-228**

Moved by Councillor Brown to approve Policy 004-6 Reporting of Crimes as presented.

CARRIED

Proposed Policy 621 Parade policy**Res. 22-229**

Moved by Councillor to Brown to table Policy 621 – Parade Policy.

CARRIED

Community Services**Campground Incident****Res. 22-230**

Moved by Councillor Pizycki to accept item as information.

CARRIED

Curling Agreements**Res. 22-231**

Moved by Councillor Lauzé to accept Curling Agreement (Ice Surface and Bar) as amended, with Schedule A and associated pricing as presented.

CARRIED

Honeyfest Campground**Res. 22-232**

Moved by Councillor Pizycki to accept item as information.

CARRIED

Splashpark Update**Res. 22-233**

Moved by Councillor Pizycki to accept item as information.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

- Res. 22-234** **Alberta Counselling**
Moved by Councillor Brown to advertise new services of Alberta Counselling on Town of Falher website and Facebook as seen fit by Administration.
CARRIED
- Res. 22-235** **Alberta Municipalities Future of Municipal Government**
Moved by Councillor Brown to accept item as information.
CARRIED
- Res. 22-236** **Bill 21 – Red Tape Reduction**
Moved by Councillor Lauzé to accept item as information.
CARRIED
- Res. 22-237** **City of Grande Prairie – Utility Resolution for Alberta Municipalities**
Moved by Councillor Pizycki to accept item as information.
CARRIED
- Res. 22-238** **Councillor Resignation**
Moved by Councillor Pizycki to accept the resignation of Daniel Morin.
CARRIED
- Meeting recessed at 7:55 p.m. and reconvened at 7:59 p.m.
- Res. 22-239** **EMS in Alberta – Future Planning Results**
Moved by Councillor Pizycki to accept item as information
CARRIED
- Res. 22-240** **Falher Intermunicipal Library Board Resignation**
Moved by Councillor Lauzé to accept resignation of Josh Cormier from Falher Intermunicipal Library Board.
CARRIED
- Res. 22-241** **FCSS – Sign Request**
Moved by Councillor Lauzé to allow Smoky River FCSS to display “EVERY CHILD MATTERS” signage outside the Honey Capital Park for National Truth and Reconciliation Day, during September 2022.
CARRIED
- Res. 22-242** **No Parking Signage**
Moved by Councillor Brown to approve the No Parking Zone, and related signage, for areas of 2nd Avenue S.E.
CARRIED
- Res. 22-243** **Number of Councillors**
Moved by Councillor Lauzé to have administration write a letter to the Honourable Minister of Municipal Affairs requesting that until the next general election, the council for the Town of Falher be allowed to operate with a number of 5 councillors and that quorum of the council for the Town of Falher be the majority of the 5 councillors that comprise the council;
CARRIED
- Res. 22-244** **Smoky River Economic Development – McLennan Withdrawal**
Moved by Councillor Pizycki to accept item as information.
CARRIED
- Res. 22-245** **Updates to MSI Program Guidelines**
Moved by Councillor Brown to accept item as information.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE**General Correspondence**

Res. 22-246 Moved by Councillor Lauzé that the attached correspondence list be accepted as information.

CARRIED

Regional Letter of Support for HPSD

Res. 22-247 Moved by Councillor Pizycki that the response letter from the Ministry of Education as information.

CARRIED

Alberta Rising Cost of Utility Fees

Res. 22-248 Moved by Councillor Lauzé that the correspondence regarding Rising Cost of Utility Fees from the County of St. Paul be accepted as information.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTSMayor Buchinski

- Water Commission – May 30, 2022
- Waste Commission – June 2, 2022
- Council Orientation – June 2, 2022
- PREDA AGM – June 3, 2022
- SR Regional Meeting – June 7, 2022
- NAEL – June 10, 2022
- Water Commission- June 13, 2022
- IC Airport – June 14, 2022
- AB Munis Summer Caucus – June 15, 2022
- Heart River Housing – June 16, 2022

Councillor Brown

- FCSS Board – May 25, 2022
- PLS Board – May 28, 2022
- Mighty Peace Tourism – May 30, 2022
- Council Orientation- June 2, 2022
- Falher Library Board – June 6, 2022
- PLS Advisory Committee – June 14, 2022

Councillor Lauzé

- Water Commission – May 30, 2022
- Airport – June 14, 2022
- Economic Development – June 20, 2022

Councillor Pizycki

- SRR Attraction & Retention – June 6, 2022

Councillor Simon

- No Report

Res. 22-249 Moved by Councillor Pizycki that the Committee reports be accepted as information.

CARRIED

Director of Public Works Report

Res. 22-250 Moved by Councillor Lauzé that the Director of Public Works report and action list be accepted as information.

CARRIED

Director of Community Services Report

Res. 22-251 Moved by Councillor Pizycki that the Director of Community Services report and action list be accepted as information.

CARRIED

Res. 22-252 **Chief Administrative Officer Report and Action List**
 Moved by Councillor Pizycki that the Chief Administrative Officer's report and action list be accepted as information.

CARRIED

CONFIDENTIAL

Res. 22-253 **In Closed Session**
 Moved by Councillor Pizycki at 8:38 p.m. that the council go into a closed session discussion as per: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY ACT; Section 17(1)

CARRIED

Res. 22-254 **Out of Closed Session**
 Moved by Councillor Pizycki that the council comes out of the closed session at 8:47 p.m.

CARRIED

Next Meeting
 Regular Meeting – August 10, 2022

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Buchinski adjourned the meeting at 8:51 p.m.

Mayor

Municipal Administrator