

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

IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, September 14, 2022

IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE

PRESENT: Mayor Donna Buchinski
Councillors Lindsay Brown
Robert Lauzé
Gaetane Pizycki
Patrick Simon
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. 22-256 Moved by Councillor Simon that the agenda be approved as amended.

DELETED: 9h) Queen Elizabeth II Day of Mourning

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

a) Municipal Energy Manager – Emily Plihal 7:00 p.m. – 7:26 p.m.

- Provide update on all ongoing projects.

Res. 22-257 Moved by Councillor Brown that the Town of Falher agrees to the terms of the SOUTHGROW ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING PROGRAM (EVCP) FUNDING AGREEMENT as presented.

CARRIED

Res. 22-258 Moved by Councillor Simon that the Municipal Energy Manager proceed with any Municipal Office Retrofit Granting Applications available.

CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

Res. 22-259 Moved by Councillor Brown that the minutes of the regular meeting held on July 13th, 2022 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

Business Arising

Alberta Advantage Immigration Program (AAIP) – Rural Entrepreneur Stream

Res. 22-260 Moved by Councillor Lauzé to accept item as information.

CARRIED

- Res. 22-261** **Meeting with Hon. Minister McIver – Alberta Municipalities**
Moved by Councillor Lauzé to accept item as information.
CARRIED
- Res. 22-262** **In Closed Session**
Moved by Councillor Brown at 7:39 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
- Public attendees from gallery left the meeting at 7:39 p.m.
- Res. 22-263** **Out of Closed Session**
Moved by Councillor Pizycki that the council comes out of the closed session at 7:47 p.m.
CARRIED
- Public attendees from gallery rejoined the meeting at 7:47 p.m.
Director of Public Works, Dave Brown joined the meeting at 7:47 p.m.
- Res. 22-264** **No Parking Signage**
Moved by Councillor Brown to allow parking on the southern portion of 2nd Avenue S.E. between the entrance to school lands and the catch basin (Asset ID: STCBS-225).
CARRIED
- Res. 22-265** **Number of Councillors**
Moved by Councillor Pizycki to accept item as information.
CARRIED
- FINANCIAL**
- Res. 22-266** **Bank Reconciliation – General Account**
Moved by Councillor Lauzé that the Bank Reconciliation for the period ending July 31,2022 and August 31,2022 be approved as circulated.
CARRIED
- Res. 22-267** **Income Statement**
Moved by Councillor Simon that the Income Statement for the period ending July 31,2022 and August 31,2022 be accepted as information.
CARRIED
- Res. 22-268** **Airport Financials**
Moved by Councillor Brown that the Airport Financials for the period of June, July, and August 2022 be accepted as information.
CARRIED
- Res. 22-269** **Proposal for Assessment Services**
Moved by Councillor Lauzé to proceed with the renewal of Agreement for Regional Assessment Services with Compass Assessment Consultants Inc. for year 2023-2026 as presented.
CARRIED
- Res. 22-270** **PW Green Climber**
Moved by Councillor Lauzé that the Director of Public Works and Administration proceed with the option to purchase of a used Green Climber F300 PRO Remote- Controlled Slope Mower with an optional rental/demonstration period.
CARRIED
- Director of Public Works, Dave Brown left the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

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

- Res. 22-271** Moved by Councillor Brown that Bylaw 22-02 be given a second reading.
CARRIED
- Res. 22-272** Moved by Councillor Pizycki that Bylaw 22-02 be given a third and final reading.
CARRIED
- Res. 22-273** **Proposed Bylaw No. 22-04 – Land Use Bylaw Amendment**
Moved by Councillor Lauzé to have first reading of Bylaw 22-04.
CARRIED
- Res. 22-274** **Proposed Bylaw No-22-05 – Number of Councillors**
Moved by Councillor Simon to have first reading of Bylaw 22-05.
CARRIED
- Res. 22-275** Moved by Councillor Brown that Bylaw 22-05 be given a second reading.
CARRIED
- Res. 22-276** Moved by Councillor Brown that Bylaw 22-05 be presented for a third reading.
CARRIED
- Res. 22-277** Moved by Councillor Simon that Bylaw 22-05 be given a third and final reading.
CARRIED
- Res. 22-278** **Proposed Policy 621 – Parade Policy**
Moved by Councillor Lauzé to accept Policy 621- Parade Policy as presented.
CARRIED
- Meeting recessed at 8:19 p.m. and reconvened at 8:24 p.m.
- Community Services**
- Res. 22-279** **Falher Regional Recreation Complex Kitchen Proposal**
Moved by Councillor Brown to approve Proposal# 2 (Donna's Kitchen/Madonna Genuino) for Kitchen Services at the Falher Regional Recreation Complex as per the recommendation of the Director of Community Services, and accepts the proposed agreements as presented.
CARRIED
- Res. 22-280** **Falher Regional Recreation Complex Rental Rates**
Moved by Councillor Brown to approve the proposed 2022-2023 Falher Regional Recreation Complex Rental Rates as presented.
CARRIED
- Res. 22-281** **Gym Door**
Moved by Councillor Lauzé to approach the Falher Recreation Development Society with a proposal to cost share the repairs of the external door at an even 50% with the condition that should the proposal be rejected by the Falher Recreation Development Society, the item would return to Council for further discussion.
CARRIED
- Res. 22-282** **Pirates Agreement**
Moved by Councillor Pizycki to approve the proposed 2022-2025 Falher Pirates Senior Hockey Club Rental Agreement as amended.

CARRIED

Res. 22-283 **SARDA Agreement**
 Moved by Councillor Simon to approve the 2023-2027 SARDA Agreement as presented.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

Res. 22-284 **2nd Street West Update**
 Moved by Councillor Pizycki to accept item as information.

CARRIED

Res. 22-285 **Affordable Housing Needs Assessment**
 Moved by Councillor Simon that the Town of Falher appoint Heart River Housing to assist and provide guidance in the compilation of the data elements and completion of the Affordable Housing Needs Assessment required by the Provincial Government of Alberta.

CARRIED

Res. 22-286 **Alberta Municipalities – Future of Municipal Government – Financing Municipal Infrastructure**
 Moved by Councillor Pizycki to accept item as information.

CARRIED

Res. 22-287 **Alberta Municipalities Fall Convention Resolutions Book**
 Moved by Councillor Lauzé to accept item as information.

CARRIED

Res. 22-288 **Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership Application**
 Moved by Councillor Simon to accept item as information

CARRIED

Res. 22-289 **ATCO Franchise Fees Review**
a) ATCO Electric Franchise Fees
 Moved by Councillor Simon that ATCO Electric Franchise Fees be increased by one percent (1%) for a resulting franchise fee of 8%, effective 2023.

CARRIED

Res. 22-290 **b)ATCO Gas Franchise Fees**
 Moved by Councillor Lauzé that ATCO Gas Franchise Fees be increased by one percent (1%) for a resulting franchise fee of 18%, effective 2023.

CARRIED

Res. 22-291 **Community Policing Report**
 Moved by Councillor Brown to accept item as information.

CARRIED

Res. 22-292 **Recycling Council of Alberta (RCA) Circular Economy**
 Moved by Councillor Lauzé to recommend that Diane Chiasson attend the RCA Circular Economy Workshop to be held on October 6, 2022 at Strathcona County Community Centre – Sherwood Park, AB under the condition that it be funded directly from the budget of Smoky River Regional Economic Development.

CARRIED

Res. 22-293 **Right of Way Request**
 Moved by Councillor Brown to approve Thibault Contracting Ltd. Right of Way request to utilize the right-of-way between properties: 006 Railway Ave N and 029 Main Street NW, pending a finalized agreement between the Town of Falher and Thibault Contracting Ltd.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

Health Service Interruptions at the Sacred Heart Community Health Centre in McLennan

Res. 22-294

Moved by Councillor Simon to accept item as information.

CARRIED

General Correspondence

No list.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Buchinski

- GOA Healthcare Engagement – July 25, 2022
- LUB Steering Committee – July 26, 2022
- Water Commission – July 28, 2022
- Water Commission – August 3, 2022
- LUB Steering Committee – August 10, 2022

Councillor Brown

- FCSS Board – June 29, 2022

Councillor Lauzé

- No Report

Councillor Pizycki

- No Report

Councillor Simon

- No Report

Res. 22-295

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

CARRIED

Director of Public Works Report

Res. 22-296

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

CARRIED

Director of Community Services Report

Res. 22-297

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

CARRIED

Chief Administrative Officer Report and Action List

Res. 22-298

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

CARRIED

Peace Officers' Reports

Res. 22-299

Moved by Councillor Simon that the Peace Officers' report and action list be accepted as information.

CARRIED

CONFIDENTIAL

In Closed Session

Res. 22-300

Moved by Councillor Pizycki at 9:37 p.m. that the council go into a closed session discussion as per: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY ACT; Section 16(1) (c) (i).

CARRIED

Florita Perez and public attendees from gallery left the meeting at 9:37 p.m.

Out of Closed Session

Res. 22-301

Moved by Councillor Brown that the council comes out of the closed session at 9:59 p.m.

CARRIED

Honey Capital Park and Falher Municipal Campground Shelter

Res. 22-302

Moved by Councillor Brown not to press criminal charges on youths who perpetrated vandalism and destruction of property at the Honey Capital Park on August 15, 2022 and; the youth who perpetrated vandalism and destruction of property at the Falher Municipal Campground Shelter on September 1, 2022 instead the Town of Falher wishes to see a community based approach to the reform of the youths and requests that the RCMP speak to their parents/guardians.

CARRIED

Next Meeting

Organizational Meeting – October 12, 2022

Regular Meeting – October 12, 2022

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Buchinski adjourned the meeting at 10:01 p.m.

Mayor

Municipal Administrator