

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

IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, September 11, 2024

IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE

PRESENT: Mayor Donna Buchinski

Councillors Lindsay Brown
Gaetane Pizycki
Roger Remillard

Administration James Bell
Jessica Hughes
Florita Perez

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

**ACCEPTANCE OF
AGENDA**

Res. 24-260 Moved by Councillor Pizycki that the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

Res. 24-261

Minutes of July 31st, 2024, Recreation Committee Meeting

Moved by Councillor Remillard that the minutes of the Recreation Committee held on July 31st, 2024, be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

Res. 24-262

Minutes of August 14th, 2024, Regular Meeting

Moved by Councillor Pizycki that the minutes of the regular meeting held on August 14th, 2024, be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

Res. 24-263

Minutes of August 20th, 2024, Special Meeting

Moved by Councillor Remillard that the minutes of the Special Meeting held on August 20th, 2024, be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

Business Arising

Res. 24-264

2024 Municipal Census Results

Moved by Councillor Brown that this item be tabled.

CARRIED

Res. 24-265

Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) Grant Application

Moved by Councillor Pizycki to accept item as information.

CARRIED

- Res. 24-266** **Intermunicipal Agreement for Weed Inspection Service**
 Moved by Councillor Remillard to accept the amendment to the Intermunicipal Agreement for Weed Inspection Service to include "The Municipal District of Smoky River #130 will annually provide a copy of all inspection records where inspections occurred to the Town or Village administration".
 CARRIED
- Res. 24-267** **Pirates Request – Building Addition**
 Moved by Councillor Remillard to allow administration to share the information presented to Council regarding the request of expanding the Falher Regional Recreation Complex building with the Falher Pirates.
 CARRIED
- FINANCIAL**
- Res. 24-268** **Bank Reconciliation**
 Moved by Councillor Brown that the Bank Reconciliation for the period ending August 31, 2024 be approved as circulated.
 CARRIED
- Res. 24-269** **Income Statement**
 Moved by Councillor Pizycki that the Income Statement for the period ending August 31, 2024, be accepted as information.
 CARRIED
- Res. 24-270** **Airport Financials**
 Moved by Councillor Remillard to accept Airport Financial for the period ending August 31, 2024, as presented.
 CARRIED
- Res. 24-271** **Northern Lights Fiber Services**
 Moved by Councillor Remillard to direct administration to negotiate with Northern Lights Fiber on internet services pricing with the possibility for naming rights of the Falher Regional Recreation Complex.
 CARRIED
- Res. 24-272** **École Héritage Modernization**
 Moved by Councillor Remillard to direct administration to have public consultations with the landowners around the affected area relating to Ecole Héritage Modernization Project.
 CARRIED
- BYLAWS & POLICIES**
- Res. 24-273** **Proposed Bylaw 24-05 Code of Conduct**
 Moved by Councillor Pizycki that this item be tabled.
 CARRIED
- Meeting recessed at 8:56 p.m. and reconvened at 9:01 p.m.
- Res. 24-274** **Proposed Bylaw 24-06 Waste Collection Bylaw**
 Moved by Councillor Remillard to have first reading of Bylaw 24-06.
 CARRIED
- Res. 24-275**
 Moved by Councillor Brown that Bylaw No. 24-06 be given a second reading.
 CARRIED

- Res. 24-276** Moved by Councillor Remillard that Bylaw No. 24-06 be presented for a third reading.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- Res. 24-277** Moved by Councillor Pizycki that Bylaw No. 24-06 be given a third and final reading.
CARRIED
- Res. 24-278** **Proposed Bylaw 24-07 Franchise Agreement with ATCO Gas**
Moved by Councillor Pizycki to have first reading of Bylaw 24-07.
CARRIED
- Community Services**
No items
- NEW BUSINESS**
- Res. 24-279** **Alberta Bilingual Municipalities Association (ABMA) Letter of Support**
Moved by Councillor Brown to approve sending a letter of support to Alberta Bilingual Municipalities Association (ABMA) for their Building Bridges Project.
CARRIED
- Res. 24-280** **ATCO Franchise Fees – Annual Review**
Moved by Councillor Remillard that ATCO Electric and ATCO Gas Franchise Fees remain unchanged for 2025.
CARRIED
- Res. 24-281** **Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Evaluation**
Moved by Councillor Remillard that Council review and amend the Chief Administrative Officer evaluation form.
CARRIED
- Res. 24-282** **Canada Community-Building Fund (CCBF) Memorandum of Agreement**
Moved by Councillor Pizycki to approve having Mayor Donna Buchinski and Chief Administrative Officer, James Bell sign the Canada Community-Building Fund Memorandum of Agreement as presented.
CARRIED
- Res. 24-283** **Municipal Indicators**
Moved by Councillor Brown to accept item as information.
CARRIED
- Res. 24-284** **Société des Amis - Letter of Support**
Moved by Councillor Remillard to direct administration to send a letter of support for the Société des Amis for their Community Facility Enhancement Program grant application.
CARRIED
- Res.24 – 285** **Welcome Bienvenue to Falher – Entrance Sign**
Moved by Councillor Brown to accept item as information.
CARRIED

Res.24 – 286 **NORD OUEST FM- Letter of Support**
 Moved by Councillor Remillard to direct administration to send a letter of support for the CKRP Radio-Riviere-La-Paix Society for their Community Sector Collaboration Program grant funding application.

CARRIED

Res.24 – 287 **Northern and Regional Economic Development Program - Discussion**
 Moved by Councillor Pizycki to direct administration to contact Northern and Regional Economic Development Program Grant Advisor to discuss about the eligibility of the Town of Falher proposed grant application projects namely, Truck Fill Station and “Big Bee Park” Refresh.

CARRIED

Res. 24-288 **General Correspondence**
 Moved by Councillor Brown that the listed correspondence be accepted as information.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Buchinski

- Recreation Committee– July 31, 2024
- ABMA– August 1, 2024
- Water Commission – August 15, 2024
- Water Commission – August 19, 2024
- Emergency Management – August 20, 2024
- ABMA – August 22, 2024

Councillor Brown

- Emergency Management – August 20, 2024

Councillor Lauzé

- No Report

Councillor Pizycki

- No Report

Councillor Remillard

- No Report

Res. 24-289 Moved by Councillor Brown that the Committee reports be accepted as information.

CARRIED

Res. 24-290 **Director of Public Works Report**
 Moved by Councillor Pizycki that the Director of Public Works report and action list be accepted as information.

CARRIED

Res. 24-291 **Extend Meeting**
 Moved by Councillor Remillard at 10:01 p.m. to extend the meeting.

CARRIED

Res. 24-292 **Director of Community Services Report**
 Moved by Councillor Remillard that the Director of Community Services report and action list be accepted as information.

CARRIED

Res. 24-293

Chief Administrative Officer Report and Action List

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

CARRIED

Next Meeting

Regular & Organizational Meeting – October 8, 2024

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Mayor

Municipal Administrator