

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

IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD ON WEDNESDAY JUNE 10, 2026

IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE

PRESENT:	Mayor	Donna Buchinski
	Councillors	Lindsay Brown
PRESENT VIA TELE- CONFERENCE		Kelsie Fournier Lynn Skrepnek
	Administration	James Bell Sherry Limoges

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

**ACCEPTANCE OF
AGENDA**

Res. 26-184 Moved by Councillor Brown that the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Bylaw No. 26-04 Issuance of Debentures(s) in the amount of \$700,000.00 for the purpose of a capital project for replacement of sections of water and sewer infrastructure beneath main street.

Mayor Buchinski called the Public Hearing to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Buchinski asked for confirmation from Administration that the Public Hearing has been advertised in accordance with the Municipal Government Act. The Chief Administration Officer, James Bell, replied yes.

Mayor Buchinski asked Administration to present the applicable report. Chief Administrative Officer, James Bell, reviewed the Council Briefing.

Mayor Buchinski asked Administration, if any submission had been received in writing, by email, or hand delivery to the office. Chief Administrative Officer, James Bell, replied that no submission had been received.

Mayor Buchinski asked if Council had any questions for Administration. No questions were asked.

One member of the public was in attendance, however was not in attendance to speak in favour or against the proposed bylaw.

Mayor Buchinski adjourned the Public Hearing at 7:02 p.m.

DELEGATIONS

MASKWA Medical Center – 7:03 p.m.- 7:33 p.m.

- Ken Drysdale, Chairman of the Board & Brent H. Hoyseth, Treasurer, provided an update presentation to council regarding the MASKWA Medical Center.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Res. 26-185

Minutes of May 6th, 2026, Regular Meeting

Moved by Councillor Fournier that the minutes of the regular meeting held on May 6th, 2026, be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Res. 26-186

Ball Diamonds Grand Opening

Moved by Councillor Brown to authorize Councillor Fournier's attendance at the Ball Diamond Grand Opening during Honey Fest 2026.

CARRIED

Res. 26-187

Bee Park Pack

Moved by Councillor Skrepnek to accept as information.

CARRIED

Res. 26-188

Honeyfest

Moved by Councillor Brown to accept item as information.

CARRIED

Res. 26-189

Kitchen Request For Proposals (RFP)

Moved by Councillor Fournier that the Town of Falher proceed with a new three-year lease agreement with Donna's Kitchen.

CARRIED

Res. 26-190

Smoky River Minor Hockey Agreement

Moved by Councillor Brown to approve the 2026-2029 agreement with Smoky River Minor Hockey as amended.

CARRIED

Res. 26-191

Smoky River Minor Hockey Monitors

Moved by Councillor Fournier to proceed with Option 1 as recommended by administration including the installation of a monitor at the players' entrance & a portable monitor in the main entrance, pending an agreement outlining terms and conditions including but not limited to repairs, damage liability, updates and caretaker control.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING

Res. 26-192

Bylaw Services Agreement – Town of High Prairie

Moved by Councillor Brown to authorize Town of Falher representatives to present to the Town of High Prairie Council as a delegation, in order to discuss an extension to the Bylaw Enforcement Services Agreement on July 14th (or other agreeable date) and to invite the regional municipal partners to collaborate on presenting.

CARRIED

FINANCIAL

Bank Reconciliation & Cheque Register Summary

Res. 26-193 Moved by Councillor Fournier that the Bank Reconciliation for the period ending May 31, 2026, together with the cheque register summary dated May 06 and 26, 2026, be approved as circulated.
CARRIED

Income Statement

Res. 26-194 Moved by Councillor Skrepnek that the Income Statement for the period ending May 31, 2026, be accepted as information.
CARRIED

Airport Financials

Res. 26-195 Moved by Councillor Skrepnek that the Airport Financials Report for the period ending April 30, 2026 and May 31, 2026 be accepted as information.
CARRIED

Physician House

Res. 26-196 Moved by Councillor Fournier that the Airport Financials Report for the period ending April 30, 2026 and May 31, 2026 be accepted as information.
CARRIED

Property Discussion

Res. 26-197 Moved by Councillor Brown to refund the 2026 taxes paid on property on roll #040000374 and further that the outstanding tax levy for the property be written off; and direct administration to conduct further research on the property.
CARRIED

James Bell left the meeting at 9:36pm and returned at 9:38pm

BYLAWS & POLICIES

Draft Bylaw 26-04 Draft Borrowing

Res. 26-198 Moved by Councillor Skrepnek that Bylaw No. 26-04 be given a second reading.
CARRIED

Res. 26-199 Moved by Councillor Fournier that Bylaw No. 26-04 be given a third and final reading.
CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

ABMA – Economic Development Trip - Quebec

Res. 26-200 Moved by Councillor Fournier to authorize CAO attendance to the ABMA Economic Development exchange trip to Quebec.
CARRIED

AbMunis Summer Municipal Leaders Caucus-Info

Res. 26-201 Moved by Councillor Brown to accept item as information.
CARRIED

Curbside Waste Services Discussion

Res. 26-202 Moved by Councillor Brown to accept as information.
CARRIED

Extend Meeting

Res. 26-203 Moved by Councillor Fournier at 10:00 pm to extend the meeting.
CARRIED

Res. 26-204 **FCSS Annual Report**
Moved by Councillor Skrepnek to accept item as information.
CARRIED

Res. 26-205 **PREDA Board Appointment**
Moved by Councillor Brown to authorize and approve Mayor Buchinski's appointment to the PREDA board of directors for 2026-2030.
CARRIED

Res. 26-206 **RCMP Q4- 2025- 2026 Update**
Moved by Councillor Fournier to accept item as information.
CARRIED

Res. 26-207 **Stormwater Drainage – 4th Ave SE Road Extension**
Moved by Councillor Fournier to offer dates of June 23rd or 25th to meet with the requesting group members.
CARRIED

Res. 26-208 **Water & Wastewater Services Agreement – Commission Services**
Moved by Councillor Skrepnek to invite Commission representation to speak with Council in order to explore the matter further.
CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

Res. 26-209 **General Correspondence**
Moved by Councillor Fournier that the listed correspondence be accepted as information.
CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Mayor Buchinski
- Emergency Management – May 28, 2026
 - Economic Development – June 3, 2026
 - MMSA – June 8, 2026
 - Honey Festival Events – June 12, 2026
 - Honey Festival Events – June 13, 2026
 - Heart River Housing – June 18, 2026

- Councillor Brown
- Waste Commission– April 27, 2026
 - IDP/ICF Meeting – May 4, 2026
 - SRRHCPAARC – May 4, 2026
 - Falher Library – May 5, 2026
 - FCSS AGM – May 6, 2026
 - Water Commission – May 19, 2026
 - PLS Board – May 23, 2026

- Councillor Carrier
- No Report

- Councillor Fournier
- Waste Commission – April 27, 2026

- Councillor Skrepnek
- No Report

Res. 26-210 Moved by Councillor Skrepnek that the Committee reports be accepted as information.
CARRIED

Res. 26-211

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

CARRIED

Res. 26-212

Chief Administrative Officer Report and Action List
Moved by Councillor Skrepnek that the Chief Administrative Officer's report and action list be accepted as information.

CARRIED

Res. 26-213

Fire Department Call Report
Moved by Councillor Brown to accept item as information.

CARRIED

Next Meeting
Regular Meeting – July 22, 2026
Regular Meeting - September 2, 2026

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Buchinski adjourned the meeting at 10:49 p.m.

Mayor

Municipal Administrator