

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

IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2014

IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE

PRESENT : Mayor Buchinski
Councillors: Gary Braithwaite
Lynn Farrell
Rene Limoges
Sandra Primeau
Administration: Adele Parker
Ernest Marchildon
Jacqueline Hébert

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Buchinski called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

**ACCEPTANCE OF
AGENDA**

The agenda was amended as follows:

Additions

- 6 e) 2013 Surplus

Res. 14-40 Moved by Councillor Farrell that the agenda be approved as amended.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and
Primeau

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

ATCO Gas

Dan Brown and Ronnie McKay 7:02 p.m.

Dan gave an overview of the services ATCO Gas provide and briefly discussed the franchise fee rate.

Dan Brown and Ronnie McKay left at 7:14 p.m.

Heart River Housing

Lindsay Pratt 7:14

Lindsay Pratt gave overview of the services Heart River Housing provides.

Lindsay Pratt left at 7:45 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

Res. 14-41

Minutes of January 13, 2014 regular meeting

Moved by Councillor Primeau that the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 13, 2014 be approved as circulated.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and
Primeau

CARRIED

Res. 14-42

Minutes of January 21 2014 budget meeting

Moved by Councillor Farrell that the minutes of the budget meeting held on January 21, 2014 be approved as circulated.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and
Primeau

CARRIED

Res. 14-43 **Minutes of January 21 2014 special meeting**
Moved by Councillor Limoges that the minutes of the special meeting held on January 21, 2014 be approved as circulated.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

**BUSINESS
ARISING**

Res. 14-44 **Campground Agreements**
Moved by Councillor Primeau that the draft Campground Attendant and Rental Agreements be approved.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

Res. 14-45 **Remuneration**
Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that Policy 501 be amended as follows:

- Regular & Special Council Meetings over 4 hours - \$225
- Committee Meetings, Workshops or Conferences over 4 hours - \$225.00
- Basic Monthly fee – Mayor - \$400.00
- Basic Monthly fee – Deputy Mayor - \$200

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

Res. 14-46 **Snow Removal Policy**
Moved by Councillor Limoges that this item be tabled.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

Res. 14-47 **Capital Investment Co-op of Smoky River**
Moved by Councillor Limoges that this item be tabled.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

FINANCIAL

Res. 14-48 **Bank Reconciliation**
Moved by Councillor Farrell that a Bank Reconciliation for the period ending January 31, 2014 be approved as circulated.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

Res. 14-49 **Bills for Payment**
Moved by Councillor Farrell that bills paid on January 21, 2014 totalling the sum of \$84,924.44 be accepted as information.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

- Res. 14-50** Moved by Councillor Primeau that the list of accounts payable totalling the sum of \$91,575.90 be accepted as information.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau
- CARRIED
- Res. 14-51** **Income Statement**
Moved by Councillor Limoges that the Income Statement for the period ending January 31, 2014 be accepted as information.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau
- CARRIED
- Res. 14-52** **Multi-Year Projects**
Moved by Councillor Farrell that the 2014 capital project list be approved.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau
- CARRIED
- Res. 14-53** **2013 Surplus**
Moved by Councillor Primeau that \$78,300.00 from the 2013 general revenue be transferred to reserves as per the attached.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau
- CARRIED
- POLICIES**
- Res. 14-54** **Policy 108-5 – Equipment/Grader Operator**
Moved by Councillor Primeau that the amendments to Policy 108-05 be approved. (see attached)
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau
- CARRIED
- Res. 14-55** **Policy 108-6 – Equipment Operator**
Moved by Councillor Limoges that the amendments to Policy 108-06 be approved. (see attached)
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau
- CARRIED
- Res. 14-56** **Policy 203 – Vacation Leave**
Moved by Councillor Limoges that the amendments to Policy 203 be approved. (see attached)
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau
- CARRIED
- Res. 14-57** **Policy 209 - Compassion Leave**
Moved by Councillor Primeau that the Policy 209 be approved. (see attached)
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau
- CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS**Falher Library**

Adele Parker indicated as the same individuals as last year will be doing the audit for the library there is no need for a motion to appoint new auditors.

Res. 14-58**ATCO Gas Franchise Agreement**

Moved by Councillor Farrell that this item be tabled.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE**Res. 14-59****Correspondence**

Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that the attached correspondence be accepted as information.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS**Committee Reports****Councillor Braithwaite**

- Smoky River Ag Society – January 9, 2014
- PREDA – January 17, 2014
- Smoky River Tourism Association – January 22, 2014

Councillor Farrell

- Alberta Sports Plan – January 7, 2014
- Councillor Roles & Responsibility Workshop – January 15, 2014

Councillor Limoges

- Policy Review Committee – January 14, 2014

Mayor Buchinski

- Physician Recruitment – January 7, 2014
- Smoky River Transportation – January 13, 2014
- Policy Review Committee – January 14, 2014
- Heart River Housing – January 16, 2014
- Smoky River Water & Waste Commissions – January 20, 2014

Res. 14-60

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

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

Director of Public Works Report

The Director of Public Works reported on the following matters:

- Hired a new employee
- Engineering work for paving of 7th Avenue East has started
- Snow removal very difficult due to the freeze up after the warm weather

Res. 14-61**Recreation Coordinator Report**

Moved by Councillor Primeau that the Recreation Coordinator's report be accepted as information.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

Chief Administrative Officer Report and Action List**Res. 14-62**

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

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

COUNCIL CONCERNS

- Curling rink windows looking over the parking lot are too bright, difficult the see projectors at meetings
- Canada Flag at the bee is very ragged
- Received a few requests for new housing developments for families

Res. 14-63**Budget Meeting**

Moved by Councillor that the budget meeting be set for March 17, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**Res. 14-64****In Camera**

Moved by Councillor Farrell that council go in-camera to discuss personnel issue at 9:51 p.m.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

Res. 14-65**Out of Camera**

Moved by Councillor Farrell that council returns to an open meeting at 10:13 p.m.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

Res. 14-66**Extend Meeting**

Moved by Councillor Farrell to extend the meeting to 10:30 p.m.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Buchinski adjourned the meeting at 10:14 p.m.

Mayor

Municipal Administrator